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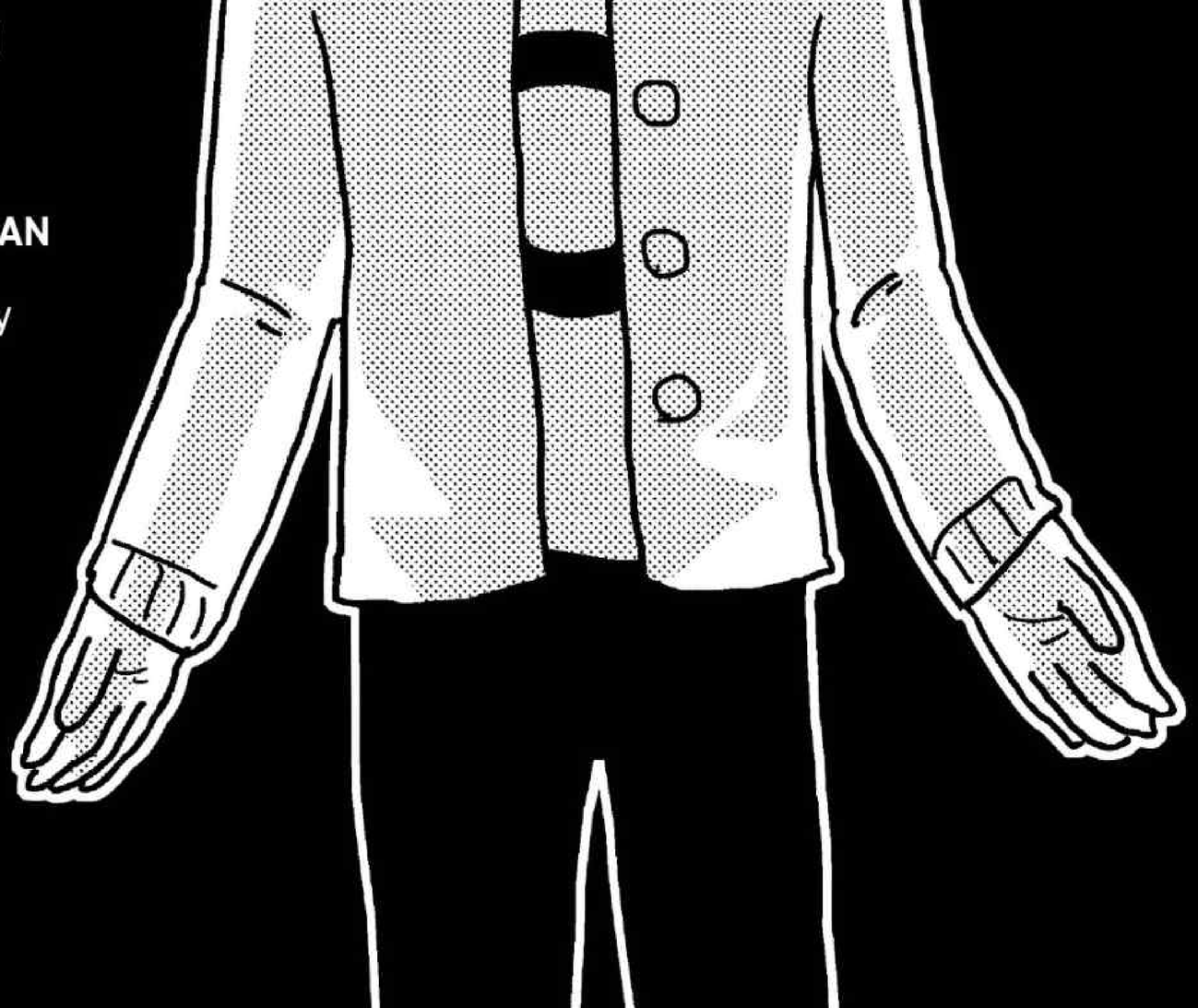

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CHAPTER 61: EVIL SPIRITS

YET AN-OTHER MEDIUM HAS SHOWN UP.

DIMPLE...

...WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

HE'LL BE A PHONY LIKE THE OTHERS.

WE'LL MAKE LIKE POLTER-GEISTS AND SCARE HIM AWAY.

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...HE'S THE REAL THING...

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NO... HE'S...

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MR. JODO, SIR...! ARE YOU HURT?!

ARE YOU OKAY?!

UTO?!

I...I DON'T KNOW ...

UTO! WHAT HAP-PENED IN THERE, MAN...?!

...I WAS FLYING THROUGH THE WINDOW.

IT SEEMED AS IF HER FACE... SUDDENLY CHANGED... AND NEXT THING I KNEW...

STAY STRONG..?

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...STAY STRONG! DON'T LET THIS EVIL SEIZE HOLD OF YOUR MIND...

M-MINORI ...

HEH HEH HEH HEH HEE HEE...

KEH HEH...KEH HEH HEH HEH HEH HEH HEH HEH...

SOMEONE SAVE MY DAUGHTER!!!

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YOU SURE ABOUT THAT VOW?

SAY WHAT ?

I VOW TO YOU THAT I'LL SAVE HER!

HERE I GO...

ALL RIGHT...

...I WAS THIRD PLACE... IT'S MY TURN !!!

OR WE'LL JUST END UP WITH MORE HURT PEOPLE.

IF YOU'RE NOT *ABSOLUTELY* SURE, WALK AWAY.

...AND I'LL SHOW YOU A REAL EXOR-CISM.

SHUT UP AND WATCH, MR. MASSEUR ...

I'M DOING THIS BECAUSE I'M CONFI-DENT IN **MY** POWERS.

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SHE'S NOT ANGRY ...?

DON'T THINK HE'S GONNA DO ANY BETTER ...

HUH... AFTER WHAT SHE DID TO THE *LAST* GUY WHO TRIED TO EXOR-CISE HER...

...SHE SEEMS KIND OF ***BORED*** NOW.

NEXT, PLEASE.

DAMN IT...!

CRYSTAL BALL

...ISN'T JUST *HONOR-ABLE MENTION ...!!!*

I'LL SHOW YOU THAT *FOURTH PLACE...*

...AND NOW I'M REALLY, REALLY BORED.

...
DIMPLE'S BEEN TELLING ME FOR A WHILE NOW TO WALK AWAY FROM THIS JOB.

AND ...

MAS-TER...

...THIS IS NOT WEIGHT LIFTING.

THAT WAS NUMBER 30. MOB, IF IT GOES ON LIKE THIS, YOUR TURN WILL COME UP AFTER ALL...

...BETTER DO SOME STRETCHES.

DIMPLE, EH? GET HIM TO SHOW HIMSELF.

RUN AWAY, EVEN.

WHAT DO YOU THINK ?

COME ON, DIMPLE! DON'T BE SUCH A WUSS!

MOB'S HERE TOO, RIGHT ?!

THEY'RE TOO GREEDY TO EARN THAT 500 MILLION TO WORRY ABOUT *HIM.*

HE SAYS HE DOESN'T WANT TO.

HE'D BE SURROUNDED ENTIRELY BY MEDIUMS-- HIS NATURAL ENEMIES.

...THAT I'M SO WOR-RIED ABOUT.

IT'S NOT THOSE MEDI-UMS...

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THERE'S STILL TIME... LET'S DROP THE CASE...

...PRE-TEND WE DIDN'T SEE THIS!

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YOU'RE TREM-BLING LIKE A...HMM, LIKE A WHAT?

...LIKE A SPIRIT CHIHUA-HUA.

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GYAAAGH!!!

WHAT'S HAP-PEN-ING...? HE'S FLOAT-ING...!

IT'S A POL-TER-GEIST PHE-NOME-NON...

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NO ...!

... MOB !!

HE'S GOING TO SMASH INTO THE WALL ...!

WHEW ...

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... VERY POOR QUAL-ITY!

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I THOUGHT MAYBE I'D GET TO EXPERI-ENCE SOME-THING NEW...

BUT THIS IS YOUR BEST ...?

IS SHE GO-ING TO ...?

EVERY-ONE, STAY ALERT ...

I'M SO DISAPPOINTED IN YOU ALL THAT I'M NOT EVEN GOING TO...

...LET YOU WALK AWAY ALIVE.

step

UNDER-STOOD, SIR.

SEIZE HER! TIE HER DOWN AGAIN !!

OH, NO ...!

THE BIND-INGS ...!

YOUR GUARDS CAN'T HANDLE THIS SITUATION! CALL THEM BACK!!

MR. ASAGIRI! NO!

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EVEN YOU TWO...

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WHY SHOULD WE DROP THE CASE?

HEY, DIMPLE. WHAT WERE YOU SAYING BEFORE?

KEIJI MOGAMI ...!!

...MUST HAVE HEARD THIS NAME BEFORE ...

...HE WAS THE MOST FAMOUS MEDIUM IN THE WORLD...

I HAVE.

I'VE NEVER HEARD OF HIM.

...OF HOW YOU COULD MAKE IT *BIG* IN BUSINESS AS A PSYCHIC...

wshhh

HE WAS THE FIRST MED-IUM TO APPEAR ON TV IN JAPAN.

I NEVER DID MEET HIM. HE DIED A LONG TIME AGO...

...BUT I HAD CONSID-ERED HIM A ROLE MODEL...

40 YEARS EARLIER

A SUPERB MEDIUM WHO PUT HIS POWERS OF CLAIRVOYANCE, CHANNELING, AND PURIFICATION TO USE HELPING PEOPLE WITH THEIR TROUBLES... THE MEDIA ALWAYS HYPED UP WHATEVER KEIJI MOGAMI WAS DOING.

PSYCHIC SOLUTIONS?

IF YOU GO BACK AND READ THE NEWS-PAPERS FROM THOSE DAYS... IT SEEMED THE WHOLE WORLD WAS TALKING ABOUT HIM.

VOICE? I DON'T HEAR ANY-THING!

WHERE ARE YOU GOING ...?

MR. MO-GAMI! HEY!

I THINK PERHAPS YOU'D BETTER TURN OFF THE CAMERA. THIS WON'T BE PLEAS-ANT.

EH? WHAT WON'T ?

A VOICE IS CALL-ING ME. I MUST FIND IT.

THERE WAS THIS ONE LIVE BROAD-CAST ON TV...

AND YET... HE WAS THE REAL DEAL. HIS **POWERS** WERE NO HYPE.

THEY FOL-LOW-ED HIM...

...INTO THE MAZE OF THE WOODS AT NIGHT.

MR. MO-GAMI WILL GUIDE US...

TONIGHT WE'RE LIVE FROM A NOTORI-OUS HAUNTED FOREST.

BUT STILL... ONLY HE COULD HAVE HEARD THAT VOICE.

THEY NEVER EVEN KNEW... ABOUT WHAT HE KEPT HIDDEN.

IT'S LIKE AN URBAN LEGEND THAT WAS ACTUALLY *TRUE.*

YOU CAN FIND CLIPS OF THAT LIVE BROAD-CAST ONLINE EVEN TODAY.

...AND WHEN HE DISAP-PEARED FROM THE SPOTLIGHT ONE DAY, THEY ONLY REMEM-BERED HIS FAME.

FAIR ENOUGH... BUT FOR ALL THE PUBLIC SAW OF HIM, IT WAS MERELY KEIJI MOGAMI, THE CELEBRITY...

YES, HE SOLVED ALL KINDS OF SPIRITUAL PROBLEMS... YES, ON BEHALF OF SOME CLIENTS, HE REALLY DID HELP PEOPLE...

...BUT ON BEHALF OF OTHER CLIENTS...HE WAS MURDERING PEOPLE. HE WAS USING HIS POWERS AS A CONTRACT KILLER.

AND SO, DAY BY DAY...

MOGAMI NEEDED MONEY.

A LOT OF MONEY, AND QUICK. HIS MOTHER WAS SERIOUSLY ILL AND NEEDED SPECIAL-ISTS... EXPENSIVE PROCE-DURES.

HOLD ON A SEC-OND.

...HE KNEW THE TRUTH ...AND WHAT HE WAS DOING BROKE HIM.

MAYBE HE TOLD HIMSELF IT WAS FOR A GOOD CAUSE, BUT, NO...

...HE LOST THE DIFFER-ENCE BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH WHERE HIS TALENTS WERE CON-CERNED.

AND WHAT DOES THIS STORY HAVE TO DO WITH THE EVIL SPIRIT IN THERE?

HOW DO *YOU* KNOW ALL THIS?

YOU MEAN YOUR *ROLE MODEL* ...?

THAT'S THE PSYCHIC WHO WAS THE OLD STAR OF THE 20TH CENTURY...A STAR WHO COLLAPSED INTO HIMSELF... UNTIL HE WAS A DARKNESS NO ONE WHO CAME NEAR COULD ESCAPE.

help...

IT'S KEIJI MOGAMI WHO IS POS-SESSING HER.

WHO CAN BEAT IT ...?!

...I'M GET-TING OUT OF HERE ...!

I DON'T HAVE THE GUTS FOR THIS...

IT'S NOT A SPIRIT... IT'S A DEMON ...!

EEEYAAA!

WSSHH

BUT CAN YOU TAKE ON ALL OF US...?

I DON'T THINK ANY ONE OF US COULD TAKE YOU ON, SPIRIT.

I'LL STOP YOU--

KRAK

ZZZ

SPIRIT BIND!!

...HER LIFE WILL BE IN DAN-GER ...!

THE EVIL SPIRIT IS DRAWING POWER OUT OF THE GIRL'S BODY BEYOND ITS NORMAL LIMITS...IF THIS KEEPS UP...

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HRGG ...!
...?!
WHAT... WHAT IS THIS...?
...BUT WHO ...?
A POWER-FUL TELE-KINESIS ...
...NOT AGAINST ME, BUT AGAINST THIS PHYSICAL BODY...
SOME-ONE IS USING FORCE ...

...HIS POWER WAS EQUAL TO DIVISION CHIEF ISHIGURO'S GRAVITY CONTROL...HE COULD STOP A **DINOSAUR**, LET ALONE A TEENAGE GIRL...!

...IT MUST BE HIM.

SHI-GEO KAGE-YAMA ...

I WANT IT FOR MY COLLEC-TION...

STILL...I'M FASCINATED BY THAT EVIL SPIRIT...

UNLESS EVERYONE GETS BACK, I DON'T WANT TO TRY AGAIN... IT WOULD TAKE A LOT OF POWER.

IT'S QUITE STRONG.

I TRIED JUST NOW TO CAST OUT THE SPIRIT, AND IT DIDN'T BUDGE THE LEAST BIT.

YOU MANAGED TO KEEP HER FROM MOVING ...?

YES...

...BUT ALL I CAN DO IS STOP HER *BODY* FROM ATTACK-ING.

THAT BAD, HUH ?

SO THEN IT MIGHT REALLY BE LIKE DIMPLE SAID...

LIS-TEN, YOU ...

...DID YOU KNOW KEIJI MO-GAMI PER-SON-ALLY?

IF HE GETS HURT TRYING TO TAKE OUT MOGAMI, DON'T SAY I DIDN'T WARN YOU BOTH...!

REIGEN!

TELL HIM TO QUIT!

...THE VIBE I'M GET-TING NOW...

...IS THE SAME AS IT WAS BACK THEN.

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...HE SHOWED UP TO EXORCISE *ME*... AND EVEN THOUGH I HAD A LOT OF POWER...

KNOW HIM? I FOUGHT HIM ONCE IN HIS LATER YEARS...

INDEED YOU MIGHT SAY A DUMMY IS A HUMAN BEING ADVAN-TAGED...

...BY BEING BROKEN.

THEY CAN MOVE IN WAYS MOST HUMAN BEINGS CAN'T... BECAUSE MOST HUMAN JOINTS ONLY TILT SO FAR...

TELL ME...HAVE YOU EVER PLAYED WITH ONE OF THOSE DUMMIES ON A STRING...?

...YOU CAN DECIDE TO BREAK OUT.

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...IF TELE-KINESIS HAS BLOCKED YOUR NORMAL MOTIONS ...?

SO WHAT DO YOU DO...

...BUT IF HE BREAKS HER BONES LIKE THAT...!

I HAD A FIRM HOLD...

...!

IF I TRY TO HOLD ON...

...HER BODY WILL BE DAM-AGED BEYOND REPAIR.

I WOULD HAVE CAST YOU OUT ALREADY ...

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HEH HEH...HEH HEH HEH...

NOW I CAN MOVE...

grip

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TOO MANY HAVE BEEN HURT.

BEST CALL AN AMBU-LANCE.

HMM.

...WERE I NOT SO BAD AT ROCK-PAPER-SCIS-SORS.

W-WE'D FORGOT-TEN ABOUT HIM... BUT *HE* CAN HANDLE THIS!

MR. JODO ...!!!

...BUT I'VE NEVER HEARD OF YOU.

YOU LOOK OLD ENOUGH THAT I SHOULD KNOW WHO YOU ARE...

BEGONE FROM THIS WORLD!

glare!!

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HE'S AN EXAMPLE TO US ALL!!

I NEVER IMAGINED WE'D GET TO WITNESS MR. JODO GOING ALL OUT... ...LOOK AND LEARN!

L-LOOK AT THAT ENERGY...!

SUIKODEN

YOU CAN FEEL IT-- IT'S SO POWERFUL IT'S GONNA BLOW AWAY THAT EVIL SPIRIT IN SECONDS!

LORD...

...LET THIS WORK...!!

...HUH.

NO SUTRAS, NO SALT THROW-ING...

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...THE OLD MAN'S BEEN TAKEN OVER TOO...!

HEY, DOES HE LOOK A BIT... FUNNY?

MORE LIKE NOT FUNNY.

OH, GOD... YOU KNOW WHAT I THINK ...?

I THINK...

...WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL ABOUT THIS MR. JODO...?

I STILL DON'T GET IT...

H-HE'S HEAD-ED THIS WAY...

MOB! RUN FOR IT...

whpp whpp

HEH HEH HEH HEH HEH

whpp...!

whpp

whpp

ULP ...

...ANTI-POS-SESSION VICTIM FLYING KNEE KICK...!

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SO, EVIL SPIRIT ...!

OR SHALL I SAY, THE LATE KEIJI MOGAMI...

MR. JODO !!!

SORRY!

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URRKK!

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...S-SO IT WAS T-TRUE ...?!

hhhh...

YOU KNOW WHO I AM?

U-UM... BY THE WAY...WHY *DID* YOU POSSESS THIS GIRL...?

WHEN YOU WERE ALIVE... DID YOU HAVE A LOLITA COM-PLEX...?

I-I CAN'T STOP HER ...!!

MAS-TER ...!!!

hhhkk!

HEY, NOW...

NO... AIR...

...DADDY IS HERE WITH YOU...

S-SIR! GET AWAY FROM HER!!

MINORI ...

THAT'S ENOUGH NOW...

Hi Hunch

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AIEEE ...!

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AAH...!

THE CLIENT...

WE GOTTA GET OUT OF HERE !!!

RUN FOR IT !!!

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NO-BODY SAID ANY-THING ABOUT PEOPLE GET-TING KILLED HERE!!

I'M NO MATCH FOR SOME-ONE LIKE THAT!

WHERE DO YOU ALL THINK YOU'RE GOING ...?

EEP ...!

Numb

I CAN'T GET A SIGNAL ...!

CALL THE COPS... THE AMBU-LANCE ...!

THE DOOR...!

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OH, NO ...!

THE DOOR WON'T OPEN !

YOU PEOPLE WERE PATHETIC... AND NO DOUBT TOO FRIGHTENED BY THIS TO HELP ANYONE ELSE IN THE FUTURE.

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HERE YOU SAID YOU WERE GOING TO SAVE HER ...AND NOW YOU'RE RUNNING AWAY...?

...SCREAMING LIKE COWARDS WHEN SOMEONE DIES.

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IMAGINE PEOPLE LIKE YOU...WHO MAKE THEIR LIVING OFF THE AFTER-LIFE...

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YOU CAN ALL JUST DIE NOW.

SO WHY GO ON...?

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NO... BUT I KNOW I HAVE TO DO THIS.

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DE-FEAT HIM! REIGEN, YOU MEAN YOU HAVEN'T GIVEN UP YET...?!

WE NEED TO DE-FEAT HIM QUICK ...

...AND GET THE INJURED TO THE HOSPITAL. MAYBE THERE'S STILL A CHANCE TO SAVE THE CLIENT...

ARE YOU READY ...?

YOU NOT DON'T AT DO A ALL. JOB BY HALVES. RIGHT, MOB?

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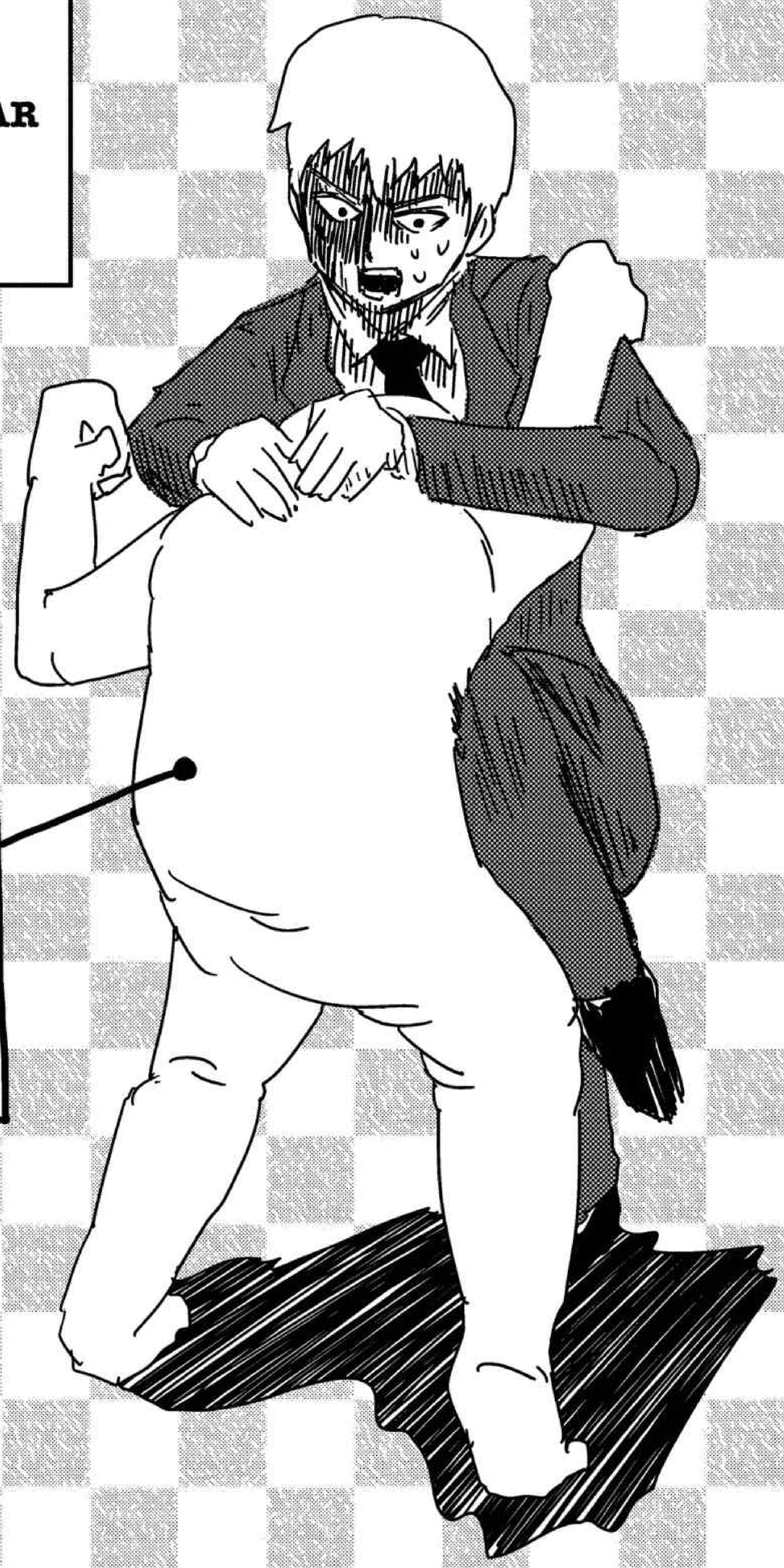
KNEE KICK

REIGEN'S SIGNATURE MOVE (ALSO HAS FLYING VARIANT).

THE ARMS ARE WRAPPED AROUND THE BACK OF THE OPPONENT'S HEAD OR CERVICAL VERTEBRAE. THEN THE ARMS ARE BROUGHT DOWN TO PULL THE OPPONENT'S BODY TOWARDS ONESELF, WHILE BRINGING UP THE KNEE. THIS MAKES IT EASY TO EFFECTIVELY STRIKE THE OPPONENT'S SOLAR PLEXUS.

THE SOLAR PLEXUS IS A VITAL AREA, AND STRIKING IT SHOCKS THE DIAPHRAGM AND CAN CAUSE BREATHING DIFFICULTY. THIS IS EFFECTIVE AGAINST EVIL SPIRITS AS WELL (IMPORTANT NOTE: MAKE SURE THE EVIL SPIRIT IS CURRENTLY INSIDE SOMEBODY WITH A SOLAR PLEXUS).



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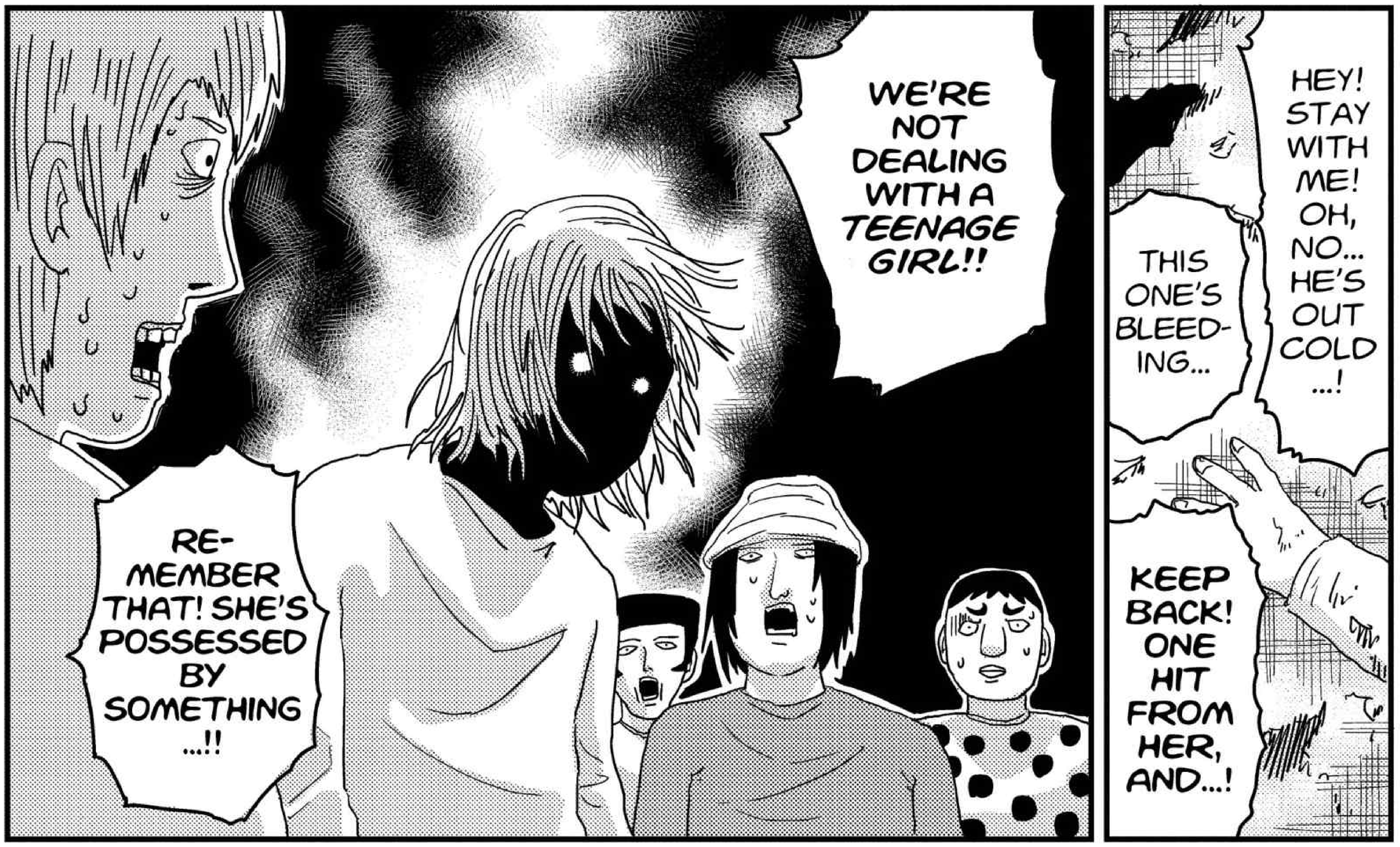

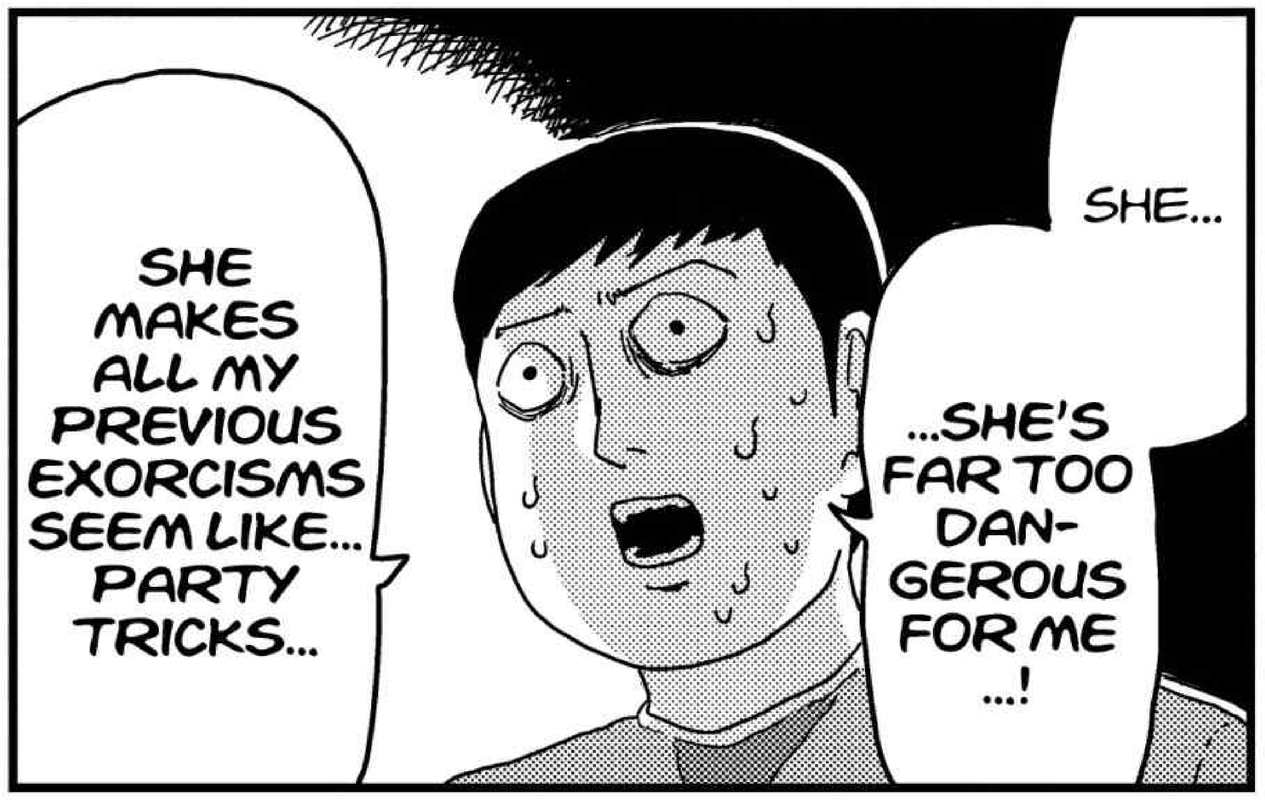

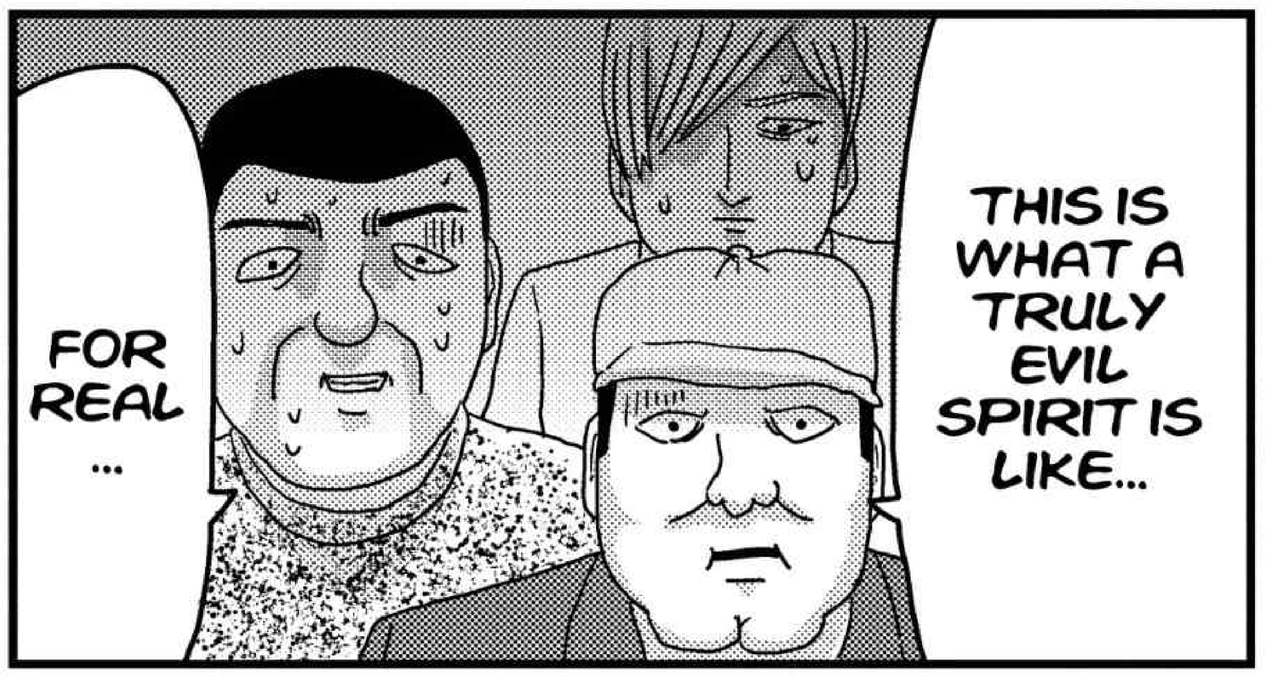

WELL, WE CAN'T CALL FOR HELP, CAN'T OPEN THE DOOR... WHAT *CAN* WE DO...?

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"WHAT DO WE DO NOW" ...?

UM, SO...

...W-WHAT DO WE DO NOW ...?

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THERE'S ONLY ONE REAL-ISTIC COURSE OF ACTION ...

...WE HAVE TO STRIKE AT THE BODY.

WHAT WE CAN DO IS *NOT* BACK DOWN!

POWERFUL AS THAT SPIRIT IS... THERE'S *STRENGTH IN NUMBERS* !!!

NO! BESEECH-ING SPIRITUAL AID'S NO GOOD AT THIS POINT...!

SO... GROUP PRAYER TO BUDDHA?

THE SPIRIT MAY JUST MOVE TO SOME-ONE ELSE.

AND *SHE'S* THE VICTIM HERE.

WE CAN TRY THE SAME THING AGAINST HER.

YOU SAW WHAT JUST HAPPENED. JODO WAS POS-SESSED... BUT THAT DUDE'S KICK TOOK HIM DOWN!

YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH SOME BLOWS AND KICKS? SHE *THRUST HER HAND* CLEAR THROUGH HER OWN FATHER'S GUTS!!!

SHE'S A MON-STER!

IT'S LEGITI-MATE SELF DE-FENSE!

YOU WANT US TO USE THAT KIND OF VIOLENCE AGAINST A GIRL IN JUNIOR HIGH...?

...IT TOOK ME AND MY SIX PARTNERS PILING ON TO BRING HIM DOWN.

...THE SUBJECT ON THE OCCASION DISPLAYED SUPER-HUMAN STRENGTH, AND WAS EXTREMELY AGGRES-SIVE...

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I AGREE WITH HIM.

DURING A TABLE-TURNING SÉANCE, I ONCE WITNESSED THE EXORCISM OF A PERSON WHO HAD BECOME DERANGED BY A SPIRIT...

...

HOLY...

YOU REALLY THINK THE CLIENT WOULD AGREE TO *THAT...?*

...OR *WE* BEAT ON HER, ALL TO-GETHER.

SO SHE BEATS US TO DEATH, ONE BY ONE...

OPEN YOUR EYES. THIS IS NO TIME FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT MORALS AND ETHICS...

THE *CLIENT* IS CURRENTLY BLEEDING OUT ON THE FLOOR.

THINGS WERE AL-READY BAD, BUT...

...IT'S LOOKING MORE LIKE...KILL OR BE KILLED.

WE OFFER YOU ONE MORE CHANCE! WILL YOU DEPART FROM THE GIRL AND LEAVE THIS PLACE FAR BEHIND...

YOU SPIRIT, DWELLING WITHIN HER!

...OR WILL WE HAVE TO BEAT YOU UNTIL YOU BEG TO LEAVE?

CHOOSE!

YEAH, WE ARE. IF THEY INSIST ON THIS, THEY'LL KILL HER.

REI-GEN...

I'VE... HEARD STORIES OF EXOR-CISMS THAT... LED TO THE DEATH OF THE PERSON SAID TO BE POS-SESSED.

OC-CULTISTS DON'T LIKE TO TALK ABOUT THIS... THEY'LL CALL IT JUST A FREAK OCCUR-RENCE...

...THEY HUSH IT UP. ARE WE ABOUT TO SEE THE SAME THING NOW...?

ON THREE, WE MOVE.

GOT IT.

step スッ

...I WAS VICE CAPTAIN OF THE SUMO TEAM IN GRADE SCHOOL...

SHINRA, LOOK OUT! THEY'RE GOING TO...

DROP THAT STAFF! YOU...

YOU FOOLS! WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING...

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DON'T INTER-FERE WITH MY EXOR-CISM...!

grip ゴ

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GET HER !!!

SHINRA ...!

DAMN IT! THEY'RE REALLY DOING IT...!

...!!

YAA AAA AAA AAA!

But...

...she's smiling...

TAKE THIS! NO MERCY UPON EVIL!!!

SHOUT... SHOUT... SHOUT...

STOP

...I CAST YOU OUT...!

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I...I CAN'T MOVE ... NOT A... FINGER ...

D-DID SHE... DO THIS TO US ...?

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...

HOW POINT-LESS.

AND NOW, QUITE THE OPPOSITE, IT WILL BE ME THAT KILLS THEM.

AND YOU WON'T HAVE SOLVED ANY-THING.

That boy from before...

WHAT ARE YOU SMILING ABOUT ...?

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I WILL ERASE YOU.

WOOSH

I'LL SETTLE THIS.

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BE CARE-FUL!

MOB!

WOOSH

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YOU ...!

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whoooo

BE GONE FROM MINORI !
KLAKK
HOOOOO

THAT REALLY **WAS** AMAZ-ING...

...THERE WAS SO MUCH FORCE IN THAT BLOW IT COULD HAVE ERASED EVEN MY SPIRIT **CANDY** IN SECONDS ...AND YET...

I UNDER-ESTI-MATED HIM-- WHAT **POWER** !

WHOA! THAT KID'S **AWE-SOME** ...!!

IF *THAT* DIDN'T DO IT, IT'LL NEVER BE EXOR-CISED ...!

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DID HE GET HER ?!

THAT SPIRIT HAS ROOTED ITS POSSES-SION EVEN MORE FIRMLY WITHIN HER...IT HAS MADE HER BODY ITS SHELTER. IMPRES-SIVE.

...AND YET... IT DIDN'T WORK.

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THIS STARTED WITH HIM POSSESSING HER ...

...BUT NOW... THE TWO ARE STARTING TO FUSE ...

Master, I've failed... I've only made the situation worse!

ARE YOU SAYING HE'S MORE POWERFUL?

HA, HA, HA!

ARE YOU FINISHED ALREADY, BOY ...?

YES, HE IS.

NO WAY...

...I ...I DON'T WANNA DIE...

...MAYBE IT'S TIME WE START PRAYING FOR OUR *OWN* SOULS.

I SAY ...

WE'VE STILL GOT A LOT OF SPIRIT MEDIUMS LEFT ON THEIR FEET.

THE REST OF US, WE'LL PROBABLY BE OKAY. BUT FOR NOW, JUST GO AND GET US SOME HELP.

HUH? BUT WHAT ABOUT YOU AND EVERY-ONE ELSE?

IF YOU CAN'T DEFEAT THE SPIRIT, YOU CAN AT LEAST ESCAPE... GO CALL AN AMBU-LANCE AND THE COPS.

CAN YOU BLOW A HOLE IN THE WALL WITH YOUR POWERS...?

WE CAN'T JUST ABAN-DON HER.

EVEN I CAN TELL IF WE JUST LEAVE THINGS AS THEY ARE, THAT GIRL WILL BE BEYOND SAVING.

...WELL, IF YOU DIE AND CAN'T GET INTO HEAVEN, LET'S BE FRIENDS AGAIN DOWN HERE.

DON'T SAY THAT-- IT'S BAD LUCK.

AT THIS RATE, WE'LL BE **WIPED OUT.**

...HOW DO YOU FIGURE WE'RE GONNA BE ***OKAY*** ...?

SHIGEO ...?

...IT'S THE ONLY WAY LEFT!

YES, OF COURSE... THERE'S *THAT* WAY...

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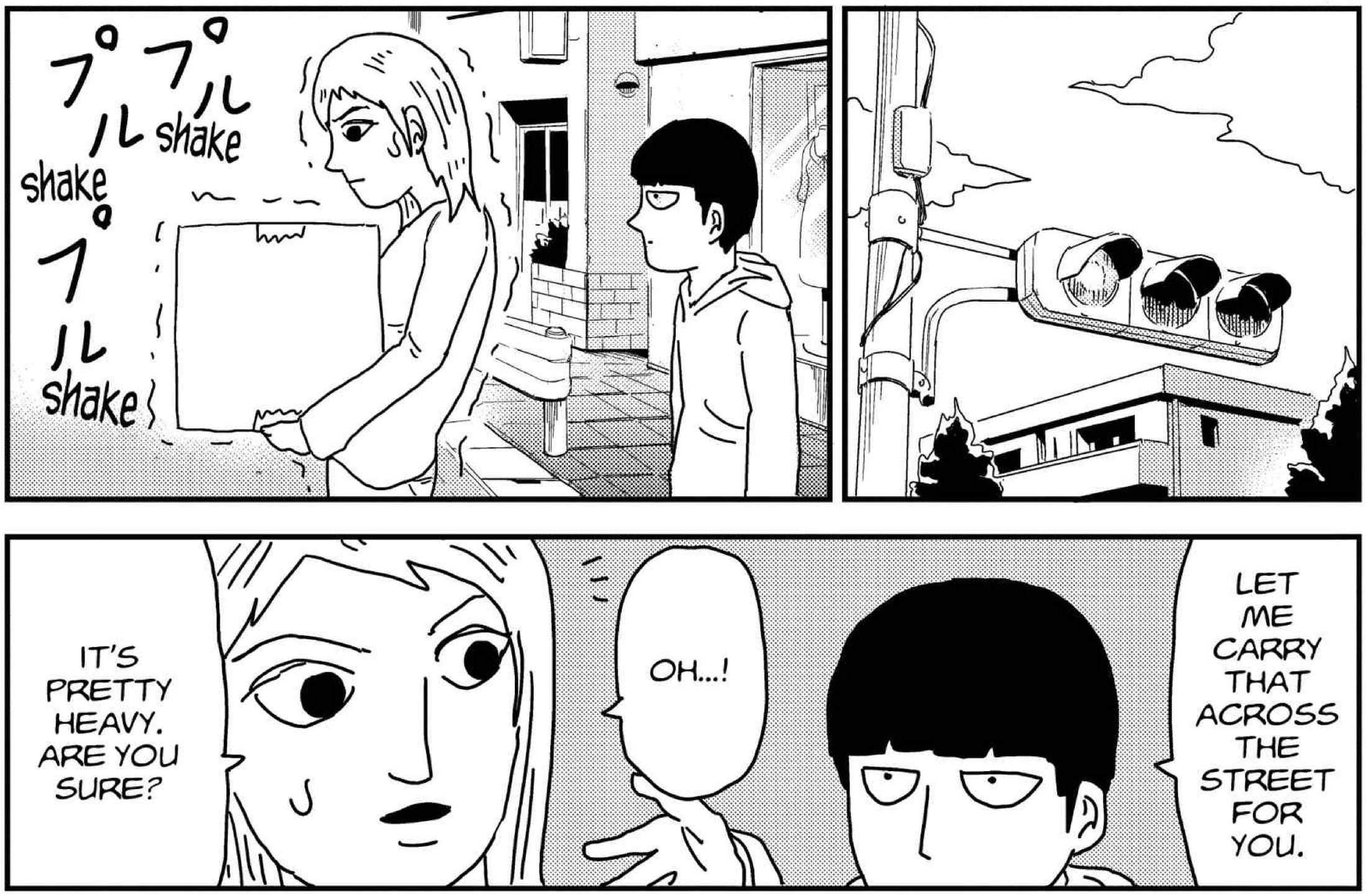

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...AND DRIVE THE EVIL SPIRIT OUT FROM INSIDE...

IF ONE WERE TO ENTER MINORI'S MIND...

YOU HAVE AN IDEA, MOB ...?

HOW'S *HE* GOING TO DO THAT...?

FOOL!

YOU CAN DO THAT, RIGHT ...?

EH?!

I WASN'T ASKING HIM.

YOU CAN DO THAT, RIGHT, DIMPLE ...?

SHIGEO'S POWERFUL ...BUT HE'S A FLESH-AND-BLOOD HUMAN BEING! HE'S NOT SOME SPIRIT WHO CAN ROAM AROUND!

SOUNDS LIKE HE GAVE YOU A PRETTY SOUND THRASH-ING BACK IN THE DAY...

NO WAY, NO HOW...! THIS TIME I REALLY WOULD BE OBLITER-ATED...!

THAT'S NOT EVEN FUNNY! THINK I CAN TAKE THIS DUDE? WELL, I CAN'T!

WHEN MOGAMI SHOWED UP... I WAS AT THE HEIGHT OF MY POWERS ...!

THRASH-ING...? YOU STILL DON'T UNDER-STAND WHAT WE'RE DEALING WITH, DO YOU...?

EVEN THE SPIRIT MEDIUMS WHO CAME TO EXORCISE US TREMBLED. I DIDN'T THINK MOGAMI WAS WORTH MY TIME. I TOLD MY HENCHMEN TO TAKE CARE OF HIM. BUT...

UNDER MY LEAD-ERSHIP, WE HAD EVERY MORTAL IN THE AREA SHAKING IN FEAR. WE HAUNTED OUR WHOLE TERRITORY.

OTHER SPIRITS HAD FLOCKED TO ME BECAUSE OF MY REPUTA-TION.

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GRRAARRR.

...YOU DE-STROY-ED THEM ...?!

WHOOM

...NOW I'M ALL PUMPED UP!!!

DON'T WORRY, I WON'T BE STINGY WITH THIS BEAT-DOWN. I'M GOING *FULL SPIRIT POWER* ON YOUR ASS!

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NO

GHOST BEAM BARRAGE ...!!!

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A-HA! GOT YOU...

...UH-OH.

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WHOOOSH

WHOKKK

I GIVE UP, OKAY...?! YOU HAVE MY WORD... I WON'T SCARE PEOPLE ANYMORE...! JUST LET ME GO! PLEASE!

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DAMN IT! WAIT ...!

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I'LL GO FAR AWAY FROM HERE! I'LL LEAVE THIS PLACE ALONE!

LET ME BE GONE! THAT SHOULD BE AS GOOD AS AN EXORCISM TO YOUR CLIENT, RIGHT...?!

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hahh hahh hahh

...AND THIS IS NOT AN EXOR-CISM.

EH ...?

hahh hahh

I HAVE NO CLIENT ...

?!

AB-SORB US...?

I CAME HERE TO *ABSORB* YOU AND YOUR HENCH-MEN.

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hngg

ARE YOU FOR REAL...?! YOU SAY YOU WANT TO CONSUME ME...?!

shudder

BUT HE'S A HUMAN ...!

HE CAN ABSORB SPIRIT ELE-MENT INTO HIS BODY ...?

...WILL *POISON* THEM...!

WHAT'S THE POINT OF THAT? A DEAD SPIRIT INSIDE A MORTAL...

THAT'S *INSANE* ...!

THIS GUY IS CRAZY ...!

HIM, A SPIRIT? BUT...

EH?!

YOU SEE, I AM ACCUMU-LATING POWER SO THAT I CAN BECOME A GREAT VENGEFUL SPIRIT...

NOW I AM.

...YOU ARE ALIVE... AREN'T YOU...?

...AND I WILL HAVE LEFT A MORTAL WORLD WHERE NO ONE WILL HAVE THE STRENGTH TO EXORCISE MY SPIRIT FORM.

BUT VERY SOON I INTEND TO TAKE MY LIFE.

YES ...I SHALL BE A GHOST ...

MY REASONS ARE NOT COMPLEX. I WANT REVENGE.

TO TEACH A LESSON TO PEOPLE WHO THINK THEY ALONE ARE SAFE...

...TO TEACH THEM WHAT SPITE IS.

WH- WHY... WOULD YOU WANT TO DO THAT ...?

WHEN YOU EXPLOIT SOMEONE, SPITE IS THE RISK THAT COMES WITH IT.

THIS IS MY DUTY.

UHH... UMM... BUT...

AND YOU WILL NOUR- ISH ME TOO.

...

HE FLED.

...TOO MANY SPIRITS... TAKEN AT ONCE...

uggh ...

throb

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MY HEAD ...

HE'D KILLED HIMSELF, JUST AS HE SAID HE WOULD. BUT I DIDN'T BELIEVE HIS PLAN COULD REALLY WORK.

AFTER I RECOV-ERED, I FOUND HIS OBITUARY IN A NEWS-PAPER.

IF HE HADN'T BEEN SO GREEDY ... ...I WOULD HAVE BEEN FIN-ISHED.

I WAS SURE IT WOULD FAIL.

...BE-CAUSE SPIRITS ARE SPIRITS... AND HUMANS ARE HUMANS...

HE DID IT...! JUST AS HE SAID HE WOULD, HE BECAME THE ULTIMATE EVIL SPIRIT ...!!

BUT I WAS WRONG ...

...I WAS WRONG.

...

THIS ISN'T COW-ARDICE... IT'S JUST REALITY. COUNT ME OUT. IF YOU WANNA TRY, I WISH YOU LUCK.

...AND LIKE I SAID... I'M *WEAKER* NOW THAN I WAS BACK THEN. I CAN'T TAKE HIM ON.

AND NOW ...

GYAHH !!

SHE'S ON THE ATTACK AGAIN!! LOOK OUT...!!

SPITE... ABOUT WHAT?

IS THAT SPITE RELATED TO WHAT HE'S DOING NOW...?

...I UNDER-STAND, DIMPLE.

YES...

THIS MO-GAMI IS BIG TROU-BLE... NO DOUBT OF THAT.

...IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE WE CAN GET DIMPLE TO MAKE A SPECIAL ATTACK.

SAY WHAT ...?

HOW?

I'LL BE THE ONE TO DO IT.

ASTRAL PROJEC-TION.

YOUR BODY WILL BE DEFENSE-LESS WHILE YOU'RE OUTSIDE OF IT.

...BUT HERE'S ONE THING.

...IT'S TRUE THAT IF YOU CAN SEND YOURSELF OUT OF YOUR FLESH AND BLOOD BODY, YOU'LL BE LIKE A SPIRIT...

IT'S VERY RISKY ...

...SO EVEN IF YOU WIN, YOU COULD FIND YOU CAN'T RETURN... AND HAVE TO EXIST AS A SPIRIT EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE NOT DEAD!

NOT ONLY CAN YOU BE PHYSICALLY ATTACKED, BUT ANOTHER SPIRIT COULD MOVE INTO YOUR EMPTY BODY...

...THAT GUY'S RUTHLESS. HE WOULDN'T PASS UP THE CHANCE TO STRIKE AT MOB THROUGH A WEAK SPOT.

YEAH, NO SOFTNESS IN MOGAMI, THAT'S FOR SURE.

I KNOW.

BUT THERE IS NO OTHER WAY.

MO-GAMI WOULD DEFI-NITELY TRY TO KEEP YOU OUT.

AND EVEN IN ASTRAL FORM, ENTERING THE GIRL'S MIND WILL BE DIFFICULT.

Has he changed somehow? No...

Mob...

WOULD YOU PROTECT MY PHYSICAL BODY?

DIMPLE, IT'LL ONLY BE FOR A WHILE.

Is he trying to change himself?

I GUESS... IF I WAS TO POSSESS YOUR EMPTY BODY, AT LEAST THAT MIGHT KEEP OUT ANOTHER SPIRIT...

PRO-TECT IT? WHAT GOOD CAN I DO...?

HUH ?!

GO FOR IT.

...NAW, BUT I CAN'T DO THAT.

HEH HEH ...

SHIGEO... DO YOU UNDER-STAND WHAT YOU'RE SAYING ?

WAIT, WAIT... DON'T LET HIM, MOB.

HE'D PROBABLY JUST KEEP YOUR BODY FOR HIMSELF.

...

I'M SURE IT WILL BE ALL RIGHT.

CAN YOU REALLY TRUST DIMPLE ?

NOPE.

SO THEN THIS IDEA IS A BUST, ISN'T IT?

HAVE YOU EVER DONE ASTRAL PRO-JECTION IN THE FIRST PLACE ...?

...HAVE...

FIRST I NEED TO CLEAR MY MIND...

BUT I'VE NEVER TRIED TO, EITHER.

...

AND FOCUS, THEN...

...!

HE JUST PASSED OUT.

COME ON, MOB...

MOB ?

HEY!

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DID HE FAINT?

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...AHH!

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AHHH?!

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I CAN SEE IT, TOO ...!

DID IT WORK? IS THAT ...?

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WOOD

...HE WANTS TO DESTROY MOB'S BODY...!

HERE HE COMES...

SORRY...

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KICK!

...FOR THIS!

...UH OH.

HEY, HOLD ON...I MEAN, DON'T HOL- ON...

WHOA!

fWAMMM!!

AM I DONE FOR? CAN'T EVEN MOVE ...!

nghh... hakk!

uhhh...

...urk!

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HE'S GOT HIS HANDS ON MOB'S BODY...

THIS IS BAD...!

WELL, IF YOU'RE JUST GOING TO LEAVE THIS BODY UNATTENDED... MAYBE I'LL MAKE GOOD USE OF IT.

grip

ASTRAL PROJEC-TION? WHAT ARE YOU SCHEMING AT...? YOU'RE NO ORDINARY KID, ARE YOU?

...YOU FOOL! IT ALREADY BELONGS TO ME!

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krikk

WHAMM

...HYAH!

I FINALLY GOT HOLD OF THIS FINE RAW MATERIAL... AND YOU THINK I'D LET YOU WRECK IT THAT EASILY...?

...THE TASTE OF DEFEAT MUST PISS YOU OFF, HUH?

HOW DO YOU FEEL? EVEN IF YOU CAN'T FEEL ANY PAIN...

YOU'RE A PAIN IN THE NECK.

WHY IS THERE ANOTHER SPIRIT HERE...?

...

REMOTE CONTROL FACE OFF!!

LET'S DO THIS!

SO GET LOST!

LET ME SHOW YOU A REAL EXOR-CISM.

SHIGEO, GO!

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NOW ...!

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...SO THAT'S YOUR GAME, EH...?

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TRY-ING TO GET IN ...?

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HEH HEH HEH... YOU MUST BE INSANE, HUH...

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SO YOU MADE IT THROUGH AFTER ALL. IS YOUR EGO STILL INTACT?

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WEL-COME TO ME.

I WANT YOU...

AN ASTRAL FORM IS SIMILAR TO A SOUL. IF YOU LOSE THAT SOUL...

IF THIS INTRU-SION FAILS, YOUR ASTRAL FORM WILL BE ANNIHI-LATED, AND YOU ALONG WITH IT.

BUT DON'T BE RASH NOW.

...TO LEAVE HERE.

SO, I'M CURIOUS. WHY'D YOU COME IN TO CHAT ?

...WHAT DO YOU THINK WOULD HAPPEN, EH...? HEH, HEH...

WHAT YOU SEE IS A REALM ...

...OF THE MIND.

BUT YOU SEEM SO HUMAN...

NO.

AH, I SEE YOU *DIDN'T* COME HERE TO CHAT, DID YOU ...?

DO YOU WANT TO KNOW WHY?

NOT REALLY ...

...I HAVE NO INTENTION OF LEAVING THIS PLACE.

FOR EXAMPLE, THIS IS MY MEMORY OF ME WHEN I WAS 24, AND MY FLESH WAS AT ITS PEAK.

BUT AS TO YOUR RE-QUEST ...

SO I'LL FORCE YOU OUT.

...I DON'T HAVE TIME TO HEAR IT.

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YOU MUST BE ONE OF THOSE ...

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...YOU ARE A TELE-KINE-TIC.

I WAS NEVER ABLE TO WIELD SUCH POWER WHEN I WAS ALIVE, BUT I CAN WORK IT A LITTLE SINCE I BECAME A SPIRIT.

WHEN A DEAD PERSON MOVES THINGS AROUND, THEY CALL THEM A POLTER-GEIST ...

...BUT *YOU'RE* NOT DEAD YET, EH? HA, HA...

HE MAY LOOK HUMAN AND SEEM TO BLEED... BUT I CAN'T LET THAT DIS-TRACT ME...

...I DON'T NEED TO GO EASY ON HIM.

WELL, NOW... *THIS* IS A CON-TEST.

OH, I HAVEN'T INTRO-DUCED MYSELF.

MY NAME IS KEIJI MOGAMI...

wssshhhhh

...I HAVE TO STOP HIM NOW.

REAL PEOPLE COULD END UP DYING...

...FOR-MER SPIRIT ME-DIUM.

SWEEP

SWISHH

SWISHH

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KRRAKK

GRAKKSHH

PERHAPS YOU COULD SHOW ME A BIT MORE ...?

WHAT MARVELOUS POWER. TRULY.

A BARRIER, EH?

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fwwsshhh

He's got the face...

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...YOU'RE EX-TREMELY PRIVI-LEGED TO HAVE SUCH ABILI-TIES.

YOU KNOW, IF I HADN'T HID BEHIND THE SHIELD OF A GIRL, I WOULDN'T HAVE STOOD A CHANCE AGAINST YOUR POWER.

HE **LOOKS** TORN APART... BUT THAT'S AN ASTRAL FORM.

HE'S AN EVIL SPIRIT ...

BY THE WAY, KID...DO YOU EVEN KNOW WHERE SO-CALLED SUPER-POWERS... PSYCHIC ABILITIES AND TELE-KINESIS... COME FROM?

YOU SEE, IT'S ALSO CON-NECTED TO THE CONDI-TIONS FOR BECOM-ING A SPIRIT AFTER DEATH... INSTEAD OF BEING ERASED ...

DAMN IT, CAN'T YOU JUST TURN A BLIND EYE...?

BUT IF YOU DO OR NOT... I STILL HAVE NO INTEN-TION OF LEAVING THIS PLACE, HEH HEH...

IT'S EMO-TION.

IT'S ALL BORN OF EMO-TION.

THIS WILL BE THE FINISH-ING BLOW. GOOD-BYE.

I SAID I DON'T HAVE TIME FOR THIS.

THERE ARE PEOPLE BADLY HURT OUT THERE... THEY NEED HELP.

...IT'S BECAUSE OF THEIR EMOTIONS THAT THEY THRIVE...

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HUMANITY'S GREATEST AND MOST UNIQUE CHARAC-TERISTIC LIES IN ITS ABUNDANT EMOTIONS...

...AND THAT THEY CON-FLICT.

SHAKK

...HUH?

WHAT THE...?

BUT I WAS ABLE TO USE MY POWERS UNTIL BEFORE ...

I TOLD YOU... THIS IS A REALM OF THE MIND...

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LET ME RE-PHRASE THAT.

THIS IS A REALM CREATED BY MY MIND.

...STILL YOUNG.

I CAN SENSE ALL THE DIFFER-ENT EMOTIONS POUNDING INSIDE OF YOU LIKE WAVES.

YOU CAN'T USE YOUR POWERS ANYMORE. I WAS TESTING YOU JUST THEN.

I WAS GAUGING THE POWER OF YOUR IMAGINA-TION. IT'S IMPRESSIVE. BUT YOU'RE STILL JUST AN ADOLES-CENT...

LEAVE THIS PLACE NOW--

YOU'VE BE-COME ONE OF THOSE WHO ARE THE *USED*.

AND HOW AWK-WARD YOU ARE.

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THE TRUTH IS THAT I DELIBERATELY LET YOU IN.

DO YOU STILL NOT GET THAT YOU'VE FALLEN INTO A TRAP...?

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krikkk

krikkk

BECAUSE THE STRENGTH OF THE SPIRITUAL ENERGY OF ALL THE BEINGS I *EXTINGUISHED* HAD BEEN RAISED...BY THE INTENSITY OF THEIR THOUGHTS ON THE BRINK OF ANNIHILATION.

THE STRONGER THE EMOTION, THE STRONGER THE POWER IT GIVES RISE TO. I'M CONVINCED THAT'S THE CASE.

WOULD YOU NOT AGREE THAT THE NATURE OF THOSE EMOTIONS WOULD AFFECT THE STRENGTH OF THOSE POWERS?

AS I WAS SAYING BEFORE...IF EMOTIONS ARE THE TRIGGER THAT CAUSES POWER TO BLOOM AND EXPRESS ITSELF...

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krikk

urgh...

owww...

SOME PEOPLE ARE CONTENT IN THEIR LIVES. SOME PEOPLE ARE STRUGGLING AND SUFFERING.

WHICH ONE IS NURTURING THE "STRONGER EMOTIONS"?

SO HERE'S THE ISSUE.

THE MORE STRESSES PEOPLE CARRY...THE RICHER THE ENERGY THEY HAVE HIDDEN INSIDE.

HAVE YOU EVER MET AN EVIL SPIRIT THAT SEEMED HAPPY? I EXPECT NOT.

THE ANSWER IS THE LATTER.

THIS BRINGS US TO THE POINT. DON'T YOU THINK YOU COULD DEVELOP FURTHER?

...uh?

NEGATIVE EMOTIONS ARE STRONGER...

...JUST BY CHANGING HOW YOU LOOK AT THE WORLD A LITTLE BIT.

WHAT I'M SAYING IS... THAT YOU COULD BECOME EVEN MORE POWERFUL THAN YOU ARE NOW...

WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO HELP YOU?

...I DID MY BEST TO TRY TO STOP YOU.

SHIGEO... YOU CHOSE TO GET INTO THIS...

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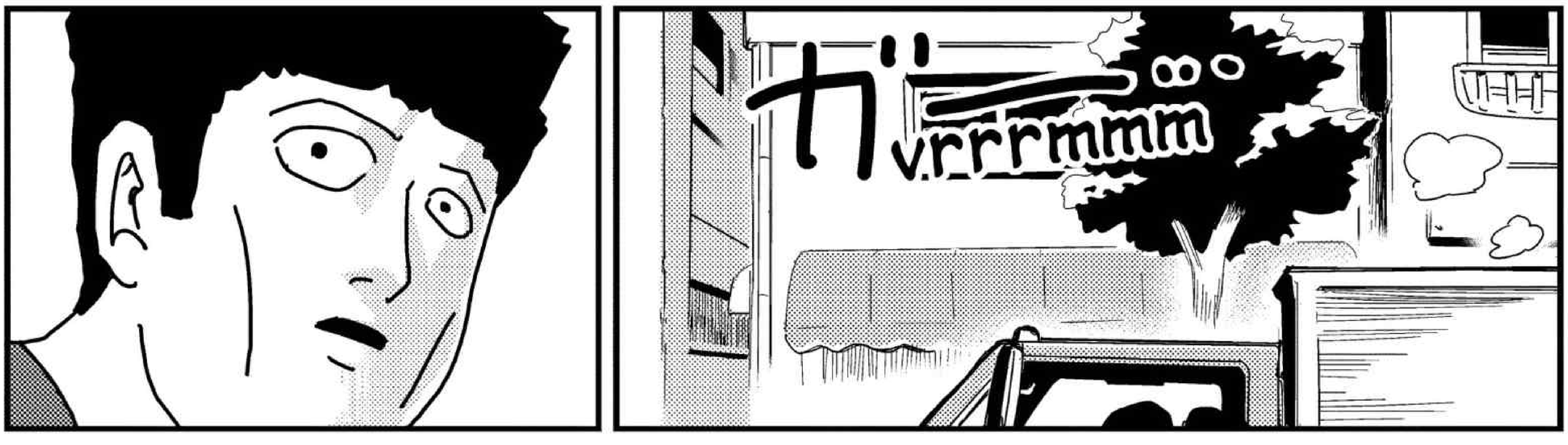

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SHIT! THE DOOR'S JAMMED ...WE CAN'T GET OUT!

BUT THE EVIL PRESENCE ABOUT HER HASN'T GONE AWAY! I CAN SENSE IT...AND *SOME OTHER* PRESENCE INSIDE HER NOW TOO...

WHAT'S GOING ON...? SHE'S FROZEN IN PLACE ...!

...LIKE SLEEP-WALK-ING, BUT STAND-ING STILL...

YO, REIGEN ...YOU STILL ALIVE?

DIMPLE ...? Y-YEAH.

AND TIE HER UP WHILE WE HAVE THE CHANCE !

GIVE FIRST AID TO WHOM-EVER NEEDS IT!

...AND THE FLOW OF THEIR ***POWER.*** IF OTHER MEDIUMS ARE IRON, THEN HE'S SILVER. SO IN THIS VES-SEL, I CAN EX-PRESS EVEN ***GREAT-ER*** POW-ER.

YOU KNOW HOW SOME MATE-RIALS CON-DUCT ELEC-TRICITY BETTER THAN OTHERS ? WELL, IT'S THE SAME WITH PSY-CHICS...

PRETTY GOOD. HE REALLY IS A FIRST CLASS SPECIMEN, AS I EXPECT-ED.

WHAT'S IT LIKE... T-TO POSSESS MOB?

BEING THE GREAT LORD DIMPLE, I SHOULD SOON BE ABLE TO CONTROL *THAT*, TOO.

...AND THAT'S NOT EVEN COUNTING SHIGEO'S *OWN* POWER.

ORDINARY PSYCHICS I POSSESS HOLD ME BACK.

BUT WITH *THIS* BODY I CAN USE MY SPIRIT POWERS TO THE FULL...

IT FEELS GREAT.

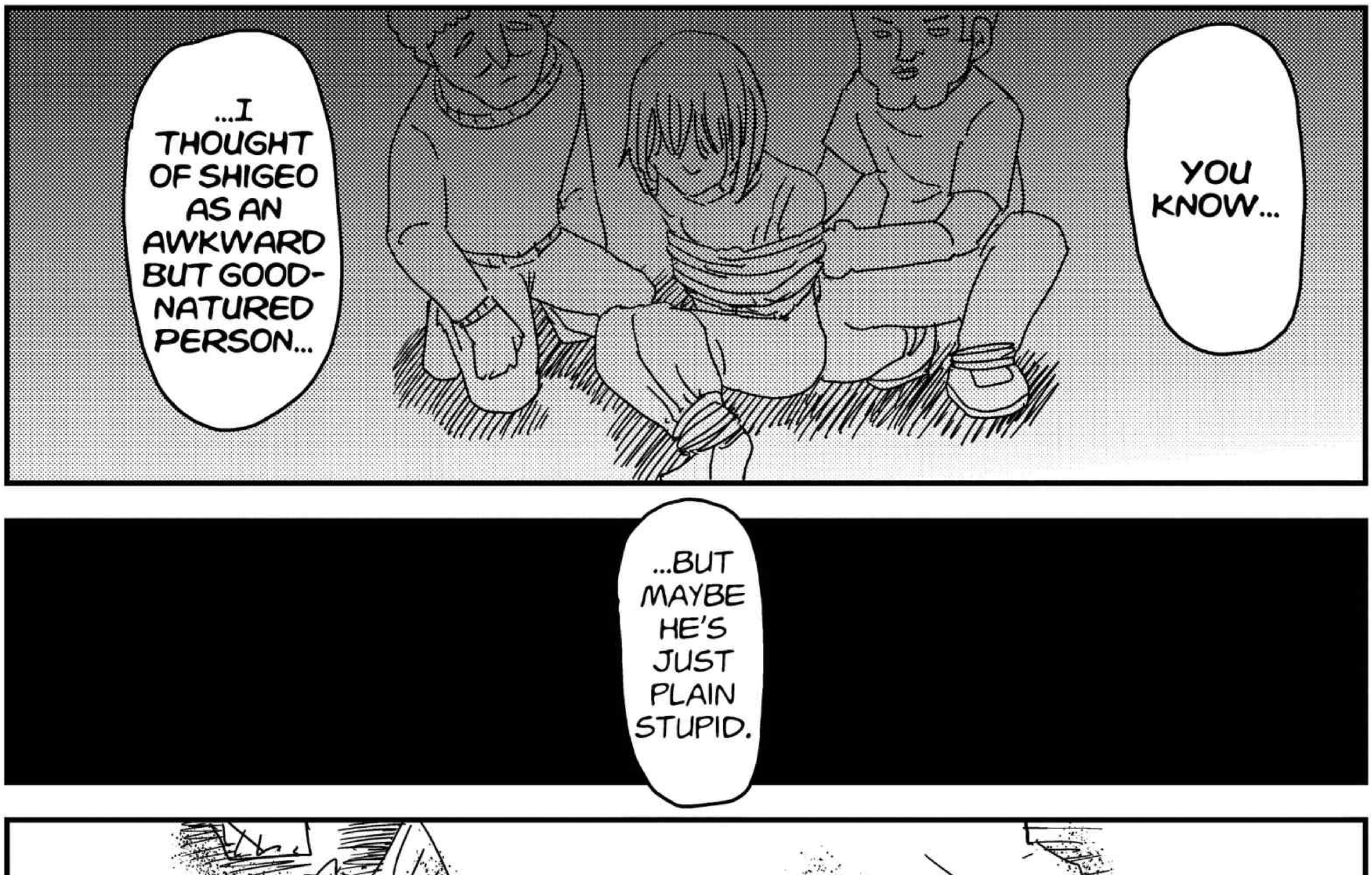
SO WHAT YOU SEE BEFORE YOU NOW IS A TOP-NOTCH DRIVER... INSIDE A HIGH-PER-FORMANCE VEHICLE...

ISN'T THERE SOME-THING ELSE YOU SHOULD BE *MORE* WORRIED ABOUT?

HEH.

HEY...

...YOU BETTER GIVE IT BACK.


...I THOUGHT OF SHIGEO AS AN AWKWARD BUT GOOD-NATURED PERSON...
YOU KNOW...
...BUT MAYBE HE'S JUST PLAIN STUPID.

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IT'S MORN-ING...

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ALL RIGHT, WE HAVE A NEW STUDENT WITH US TODAY.

PLEASE INTRO-DUCE YOUR-SELF.

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SHI-GEO KAGE-YAMA.

IN *THIS* PLACE, YOU ARE AN ORDINARY JUNIOR HIGH STUDENT.

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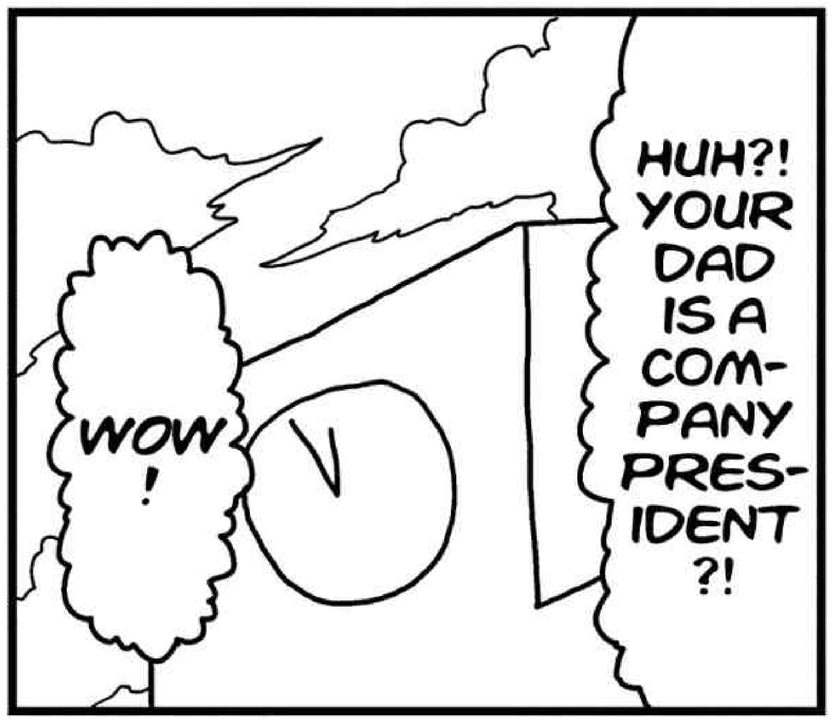
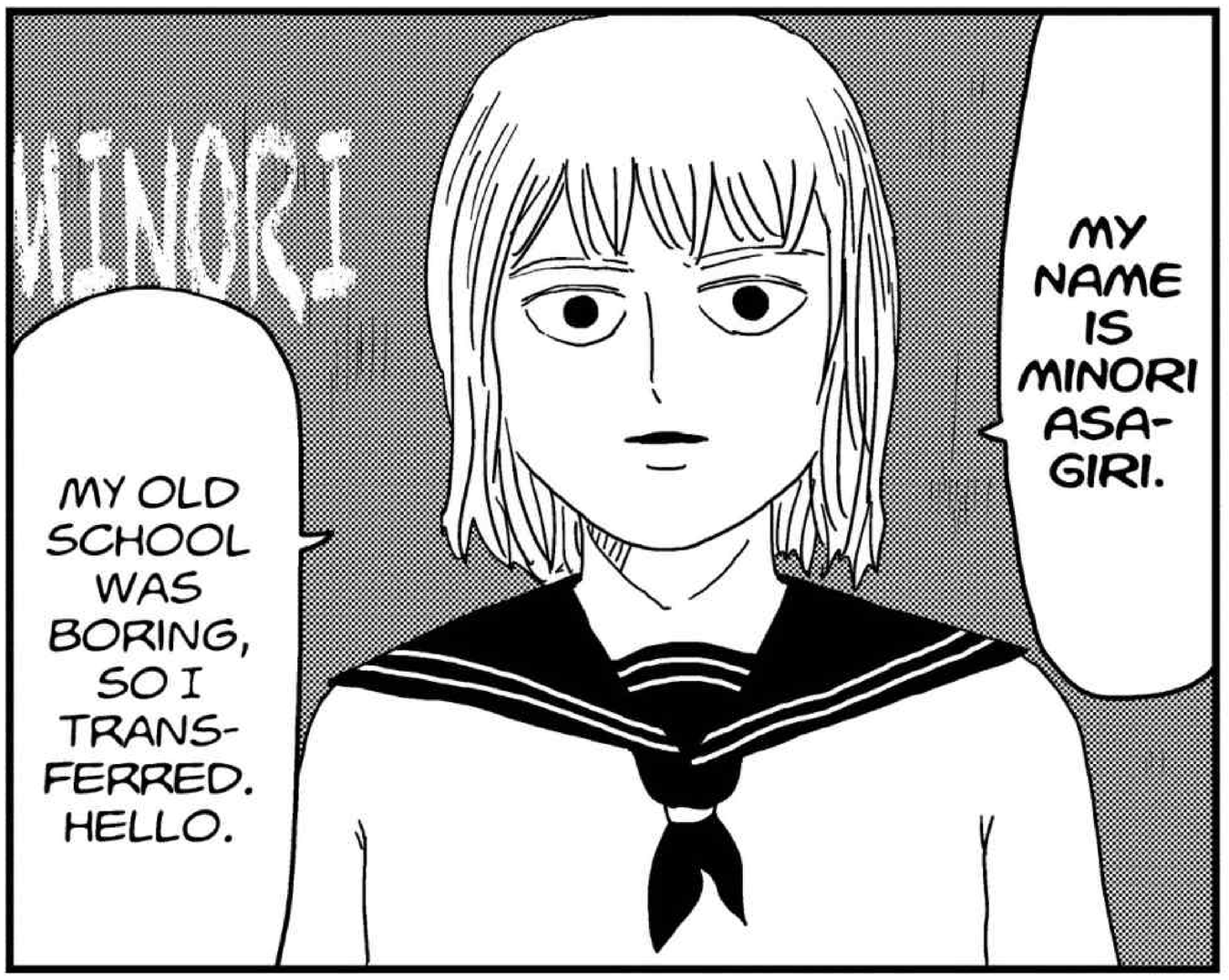
WITH A CHANGE OF PER-SPEC-TIVE, THE WORLD IS A DIF-FERENT PLACE.

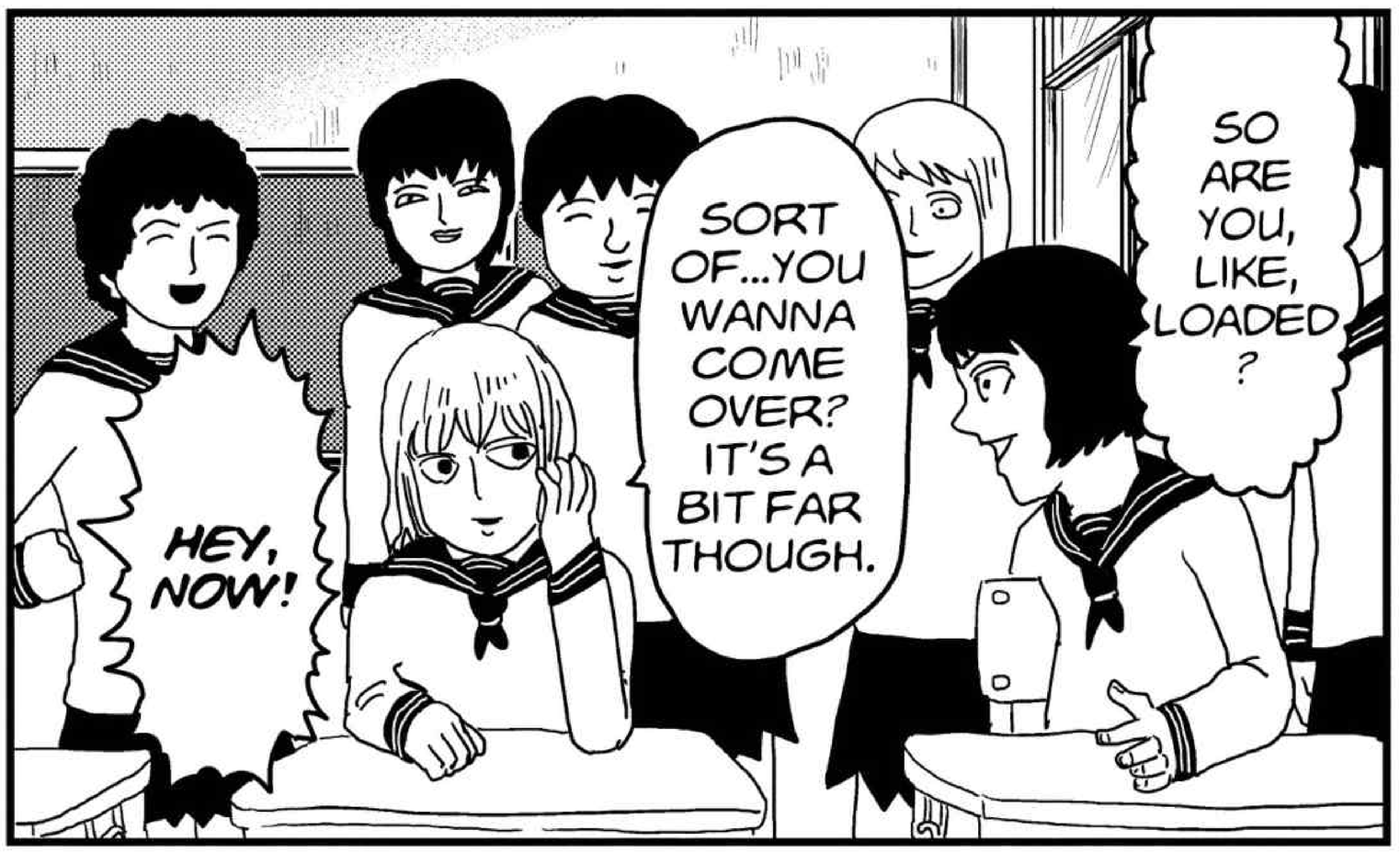
I AM MANIP-ULAT-ING YOUR MEMO-RIES...

...SO YOU CAN'T USE YOUR SUPER-POWERS.


HUH?! YOUR DAD IS A COM-PANY PRES-IDENT ?!
WOW !


MINORI!
MY OLD SCHOOL WAS BORING, SO I TRANS-FERRED. HELLO.
MY NAME IS MINORI ASA-GIRI.

YO, YO! WHAT IS WITH ALL THIS GIRL TALK ?!
YOU BOYS CAN KEEP OUT OF IT!


HEY, NOW!
SORT OF...YOU WANNA COME OVER? IT'S A BIT FAR THOUGH.
SO ARE YOU, LIKE, LOADED ?

WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH HIM?
HE SEEMS LIKE THE BUL-LIED TYPE.

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YOU DON'T NEED THIS, DO YOU, KAGE-YAMA?
UM...
YAMAZAKI
UMEMURA
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SHIMODA
ATTENDANCE FEE
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AWESOME!!
SO ASA-GIRI'S GONNA HAVE A WEL-COME PARTY ...
WE CAN GO TO HER MAN-SION ...?!
EVERY-ONE WHO'S COMING, WRITE DOWN YOUR NAME...
YAMAZAKI
UMEMURA
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SHIMODA
ATTENDANCE FEE
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I DON'T SEE HIM TALKING TO PEOPLE A LOT.

NO CHARISMA, HUH?

NOT AT ALL.

I'VE REPLACED THE PEOPLE AROUND YOU.

THE REAL YOU HAD MANY BONDS WITH PEOPLE. BUT *HERE*...

ANYONE EVER TALKED TO KAGEYAMA?

NOT ME.

SOMETHING BOTHERING YOU?

NAW, IT'S NOTHING.

HMM.

I SEE, I SEE.

AND IF THEY MET *YOU*... AND YOU WERE WITHOUT THE FAMILY, THE FRIENDS, AND THE TEACHERS YOU RELY ON...

THE GIRL WHO HAS TRANSFERRED HERE IS THE DAUGHTER OF YOUR CLIENT.

THE GIRL YOU'VE BEEN TRYING TO SAVE. BUT RIGHT NOW SHE DOESN'T REMEMBER ANY OF THAT, SEE...

...AND IF YOU WERE WITHOUT YOUR POWERS... THIS IS HOW THEY WOULD ACTUALLY TREAT YOU.

...EVEN IF YOU'VE NEVER MET THEM.

EVERYONE HERE IS BASED ON A REAL PERSON WHO EXISTS RIGHT NOW...

OKAY, KAGE-YAMA, IT'S YOUR TURN NEXT.

SO, THEN, WHAT WOULD THE ANSWER BE?

I... DON'T KNOW ...?

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ARE MY LES-SONS THAT BORING?

N-NO, SIR SORRY ... ...

DO YOU THINK THIS IS A JOKE?

pffft!

snicker!

hhfff!

IT'S BASIC MATH... BUT HE ALWAYS MESSES IT UP...

HE'S SO DUMB, IT'S UN-REAL...

PFFT...! HE JUST HAS TO ADD THEM...

chuckle!

...YOU WERE NAP-PING, WERE YOU NOT?

IT'S NOT THAT YOU DON'T UNDER-STAND IT...

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UM...

...WHY WAS I SO TIRED ...?

TIRED? FROM WHAT?

SLEEP-ING? UH...I'M JUST A BIT TIRED...

WHY WERE YOU SLEEP-ING?

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DUMB-ASS!

HEH, HEH... STOP THAT!

JUST LOOK AT HIM...

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QUIT CAUSING ME STRESS EVERY DAY. IF YOU'RE SO SLEEPY...

...THEN STAND UP. THAT SHOULD KEEP YOU ALERT.

THAT'S A VERY RARE THING, YOU KNOW.

IN REAL LIFE, YOU HAVE GOOD PEOPLE AROUND YOU.

OTHER KIDS WERE NAPPING, TOO... GUESS HE'S JUST A BORN LOSER.

WHAT A BURN ... heh heh

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WHAT ABOUT THE "FRIENDS" THAT HAVE DRAWN CLOSE AROUND YOU?

BUT BEHIND THOSE YOU TRUST... THERE ARE OTHER INTER-ESTS.

FOUND AN OPEN-ING!

whapp!

WELL, KAGE-YAMA'S LIKE A TARGET.

HE'S THE OPEN-ING.

THAT WASN'T JUST A SHOT-- IT WAS A SPIKE!

NICE SHOT!

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I, UM, DIDN'T ...

MOVE FAST EN--

...AHHH ?!

HA HA HA HA!

MOVE FAST ENOUGH? THAT'S WHAT YOU WERE TRYING TO SAY ...?

YOU DIDN'T EVEN *BUDGE*! YOU'RE USELESS ON THE COURT, SO JUST SIT AND WATCH!

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...OW.

ワイ yeahh

S-SORRY ...

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UH... SURE... UNDER-STOOD...

YOU IGNOR-ING ME?!

YOU! I'M TALKIN' TO YA!

HEY, YOU! KID!

HEY!

'LONG AS WE'RE HERE, THOUGH... COULD YA LEND US SOME MONEY?

QUIT WALKING SO SLOW!

YER IN OUR WAY!

...YOU'D LEND IT TO US, RIGHT?

BUT IF YA HAD SOME ...

HIGH SCHOOL-ERS...

I...I DON'T... HAVE ANY.

YA GOT IT...?

HEH HEH HEH...

...GIVE US YER CELL NUM-BER, NAME, AND ADD-RESS.

NO, THIS AIN'T A "HUH" THING. TO MAKE SURE...

HUH ?

OKAY, THAT'S GREAT! JUST REMEM-BER TO BRING IT TOMOR-ROW.

OH... I...DON'T HAVE A PHONE.

C'MON! HURRY UP AND HAND OVER YOUR PHONE !

SEE? WE AIN'T MAD. DON'T WORRY. JUST LEND US THAT MONEY AND WE'LL LEAVE YA ALONE...

WELL, HE LOOKS LIKE A PRETTY DULL DUDE. I GUESS NOBODY'D EVER CALL HIM UP!

HUH. HE REALLY *DOESN'T* HAVE ONE!

SEARCH HIM!

HUH? HOW CAN YOU NOT HAVE A PHONE?

IF YOU'RE LYING, YOU'RE DEAD MEAT!!

WELL, GO THROUGH YER PARENTS' DRAWERS IF YOU HAVE TO. JUST GET US SOME.

HUH? YA GOTTA HAVE *SOME* AROUND.

NO, I DON'T HAVE ANY MONEY AT HOME EITHER...

NO WALLET EITHER, I SEE. BUT WE CAN STILL BE COOL...*IF* YA HEAD ON HOME RIGHT NOW AND GET US SOME MONEY!

I DON'T REMEMBER WHY I DO...

...?

...I DON'T KNOW.

LIKE, HOW? WHAT JUNIOR HIGH KID LIVES ALONE?

I LIVE ON MY OWN ...

I DON'T HAVE PARENTS ...

I'M GONNA REARRANGE YER FACE!

yank

YOU THINK THIS IS SOME *JOKE*, DON'T YA?!

WE'RE THE ONES THAT GIVE THE ORDERS.

WE'RE YER SEN-IORS!

YOU DON'T TELL ME WHAT TO DO...

grip

PLEASE ...L-LET GO OF ME...

OWW...!

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hkk...

fwmmpp

GET IT?!

I SAID, DON'T TELL ME WHAT TO DO!

krakk

YOU DON'T HAVE TO USE VIO--

SLUMP

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IT'S OKAY IF YA WANT MORE, KID!

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HA HA HA !!!!

NOW WHAT'S THAT LOOK?

YA WANNA GO?

...

OR YA WANNA STAY AND GET MORE ...?!

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HERE, EVEN YOUR WONDERFUL BROTHER IS A STRANGER.

BUT HE WALKED ON.

THAT'S COLD.

LOOKED LIKE YA WERE HOPIN' THAT DUDE WOULD SAVE YER ASS.

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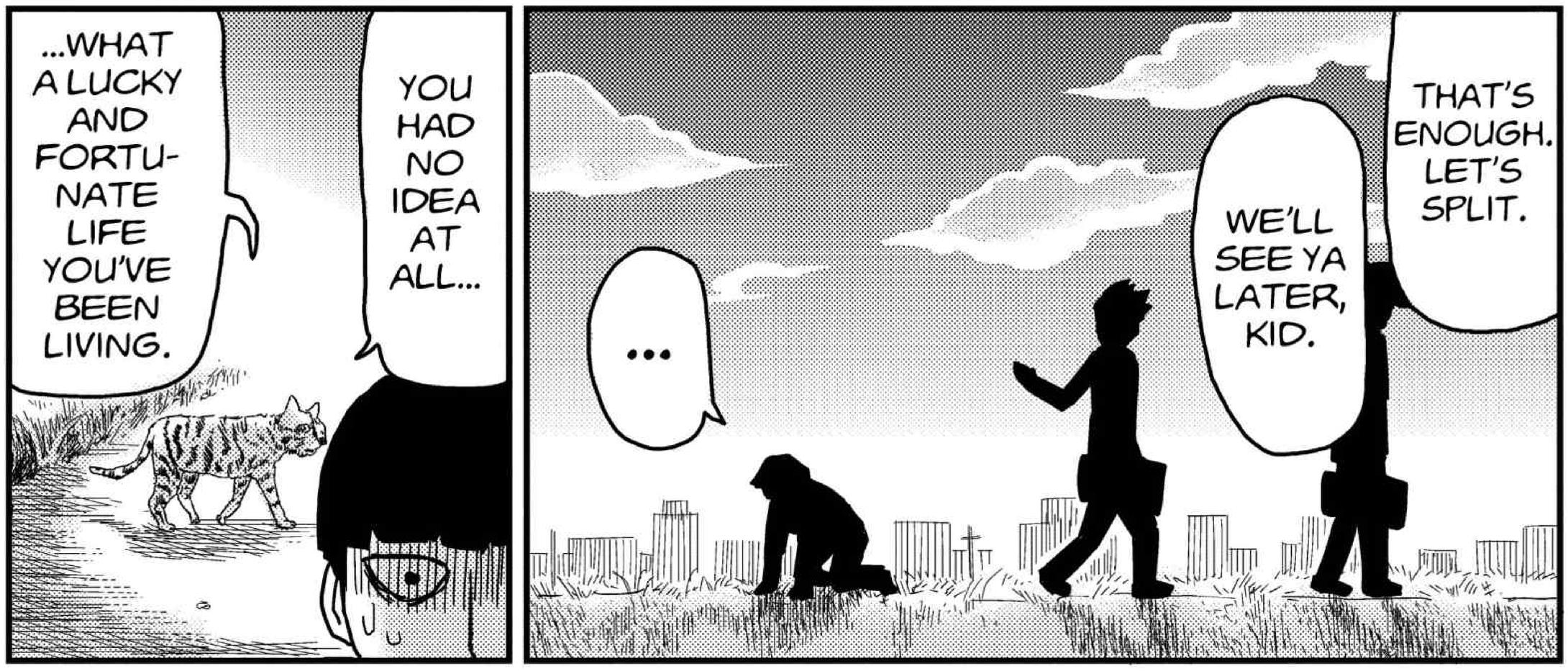
...WHAT A LUCKY AND FORTU-NATE LIFE YOU'VE BEEN LIVING.
YOU HAD NO IDEA AT ALL...
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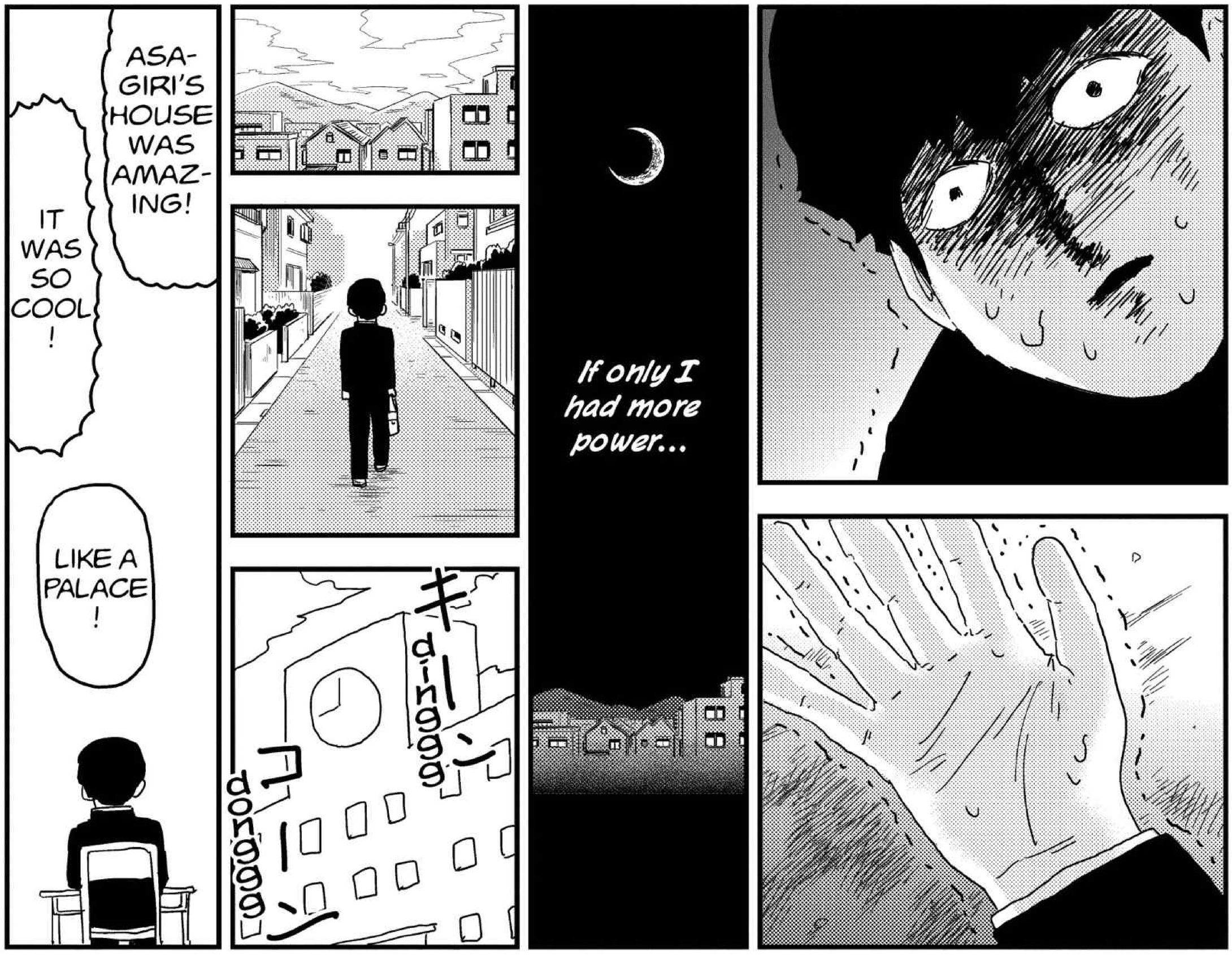
WE'LL SEE YA LATER, KID.
THAT'S ENOUGH. LET'S SPLIT.


ASA-GIRI'S HOUSE WAS AMAZ-ING!
IT WAS SO COOL!
LIKE A PALACE!
If only I had more power...
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dongg

WHY DIDN'T YOU COME TO MY HOUSE YESTER-DAY?

IT WAS MY WEL-COME PARTY.

step

...HEY, YOU.

OH... SORRY...

WHY DIDN'T YOU COME?

IT WAS JUST SORT OF DIFFI-CULT FOR ME TO GO...

ARE YOU SAYING YOU CAN'T WELCOME ME HERE?

UM... MY NAME IS KAGE-YAMA.

KAGEYAMA

SHI-GEO KAGE --

I CAN'T HEAR YOU!

AND WHY DON'T YOU INTRO-DUCE YOURSELF TO THE CLASS? YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO HASN'T.

HUH ...?

STAND UP! NOW!

I'M SORRY ...I REALLY SHOULD HAVE GONE ...

UM...

giggle KAGE-YAMA'S PANICK-ING...

ASA-GIRI'S HILARI-OUS...!

...WEL-COME ...

ASA-GIRI'S A TOUGH COOKIE.

KINDA SCARY, HUH...?

PLEAS-ED TO MEET YOU...

ALL YOU SAID WAS YOUR NAME! MAKE A SPEECH! THIRTY SECONDS!

ASA-GIRI'S SOME-THING ELSE! SHE KNOWS HOW GUYS WORK !!

SHE'S ACTU-ALLY REALLY CUTE...

I WON-DER IF SHE'S GOT A BOY-FRIEND ...?

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SO WHAT? IT'S KAGE-YAMA.

AND SHE'S RICH.

SHE'S NICE TO US.

M-MY FAVOR-ITE FOOD IS MILK...

THE FOOD I HATE IS...

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HERE YOU ARE !!

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TSK...

...SOMEONE GET A CLOTH AND CLEAN THAT UP.

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I THOUGHT MILK WAS YOUR FAVORITE!

OH... DID YOU NOT MEAN LIKE THAT...?

ha ha ha ha ha!

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YOU DO THIS BECAUSE YOU WANT TO LIVE MORE FULLY...

...THE IDEA OF LIFE EXPERIENCE IS MORE IMPORTANT TO YOU THAN THE REALITY OF YOUR POWERS.

I HAVE READ YOUR MEMORIES AND THOUGHTS.

IT SEEMS YOU REFRAIN FROM USING YOUR PSYCHIC POWERS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE IN YOUR DAILY LIFE.

IT'S NOT YOU WHO WAS IN THE WRONG HERE.

BUT I'M NOT WRONG, AM I?

AND SO YOU'VE SHAPED YOUR MIND INTO SOME-THING INNOCENT, IGNORANT, AND FRAGILE.

LOOK... I'M NOT BLAMING YOU FOR THESE BULLIES.

TRULY, THESE ARE THE THOUGHTS OF A PRIVI-LEGED PERSON...

...WHO VIEWS THIS WORLD NAIVELY.

...AND TO YOUR COMPLA-CENCY... IN HOW YOU SEE YOUR POWERS AS AN EMER-GENCY FALLBACK.

YOU'RE OBLIVI-OUS TO ITS DIRTY UNDER-BELLY...

IF YOU DON'T BECOME STRONG, PEOPLE WILL CONTINUE TO USE YOU... EXPLOIT YOU...AND USE YOU AS A STEPPING STONE.

PLEAS-ANT PEOPLE DON'T NECES-SARILY LEAD WONDER-FUL LIVES.

AND NOW IT WILL BE DIFFICULT FOR YOU TO GO ON LIVING AS YOU HAVE BEEN.

WHAT HAVE YOU DONE TO ME...?

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Whaaa...!
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WHAT ARE YOU DOING ...?!

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HEY, YOU KINDA STINK! WAS THAT MILK SOUR ...?

IT WAS A JOKE! A JOKE!

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KAGE-YAMA! GET YOUR HANDS OFF HER!

UGH, YOU'RE THE WORST !!

LET'S SHOW HIM ...!

YOU KNOW ...

...THIS HAP-PENS TO YOU A LOT, RIGHT ...?

whew

THANK YOU, GUYS!

EMO PUKES LIKE YOU DON'T GET TO BE ANGRY.

MISS ASAGIRI, IT'S ALL RIGHT NOW.

I HAPPENED TO SEE YOU ON MY WAY HOME... CAUGHT IT ALL ON MY PHONE.

!

YOU ENDED UP IN THE DIRT LIKE THIS YESTERDAY, TOO... DIDN'T YOU?

THIS KIND OF THING HAPPENS EVERY DAY TO SOMEONE, BUT THE KIND OF PERSON YOU ARE...YOU HADN'T NOTICED.

IT'S NOTHING PERSONAL. IF YOU WEREN'T HERE, SOMEBODY ELSE WOULD BE THE DOORMAT.

TO STAND AT THE TOP OF A HIER-ARCHY, ONE MUST FIRST CREATE A BOT-TOM.

AND THAT BOT-TOM IS YOU.

OH, I KNOW YOU DON'T GET IT...BUT THIS ISN'T REALLY ABOUT YOU. SEE, SHE USES THIS BULLY-ING FOR HER-SELF...

...TO SECURE HER STATUS AND POSI-TION.

MISS ASAGIRI SHOWED US THE VIDEO OF IT AT HER WEL-COME PARTY-- IT WAS AWE-SOME!

AW, MAN, I LAUGHED MY ASS OFF...!

IT'S A WORLD YOU HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO SEE BEFORE.

BUT TAKE A GOOD LOOK NOW.

STOP BEING ONE OF THOSE WHO ARE *USED*.

ARE YOU *HAPPY* LIVING LIKE THIS ...?

AND *REALIZE* SOME-THING.

THERE ARE SOME PEOPLE IN THE WORLD WHO ARE NOT WORTH SAVING.

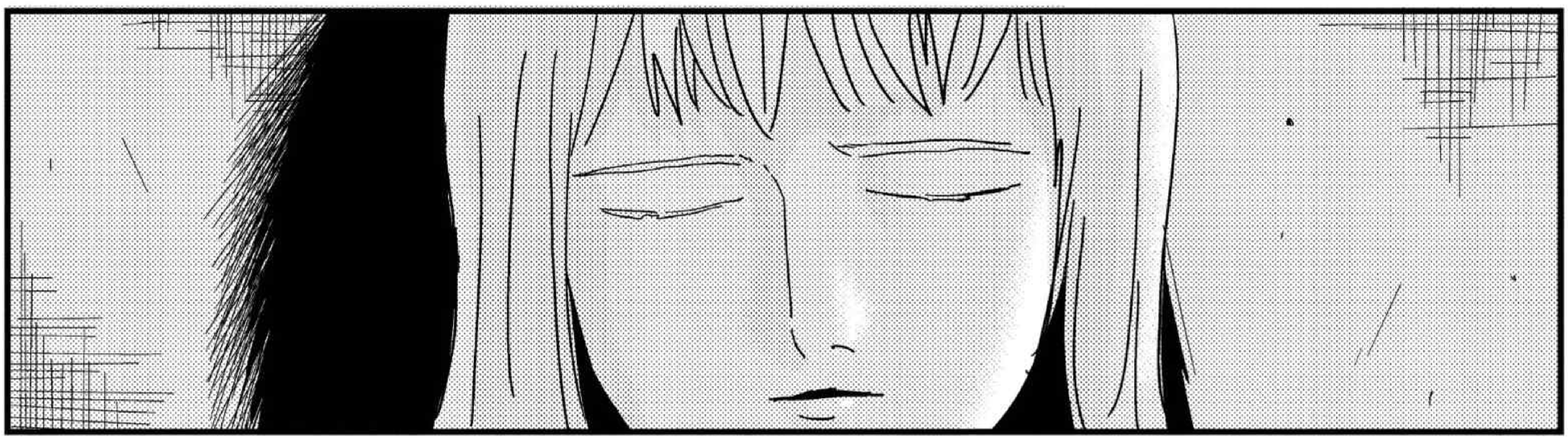
...GIVE YOU BACK YOUR POWERS NOW.

IF YOU WANT, I COULD...

YOUR POWER.

YOU NEED IT, DON'T YOU?

THE SUPER-HUMAN STRENGTH YOU HAD BEFORE.



SHE'S GONE SILENT. SHE'S IGNORING US. BUT THAT MEANS...
I THINK MY BACK'S GONNA HURT FOR A WHILE...
HOW'S IT LOOK-ING?

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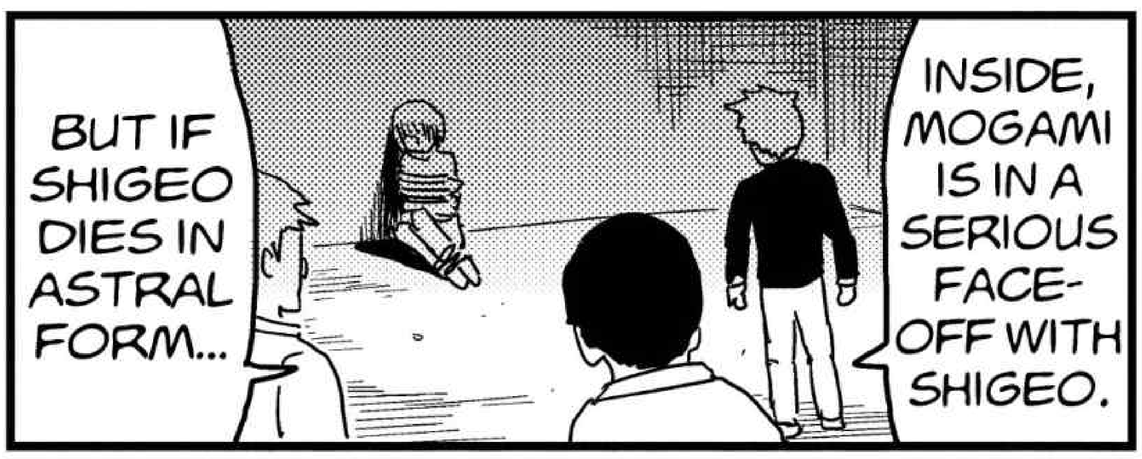
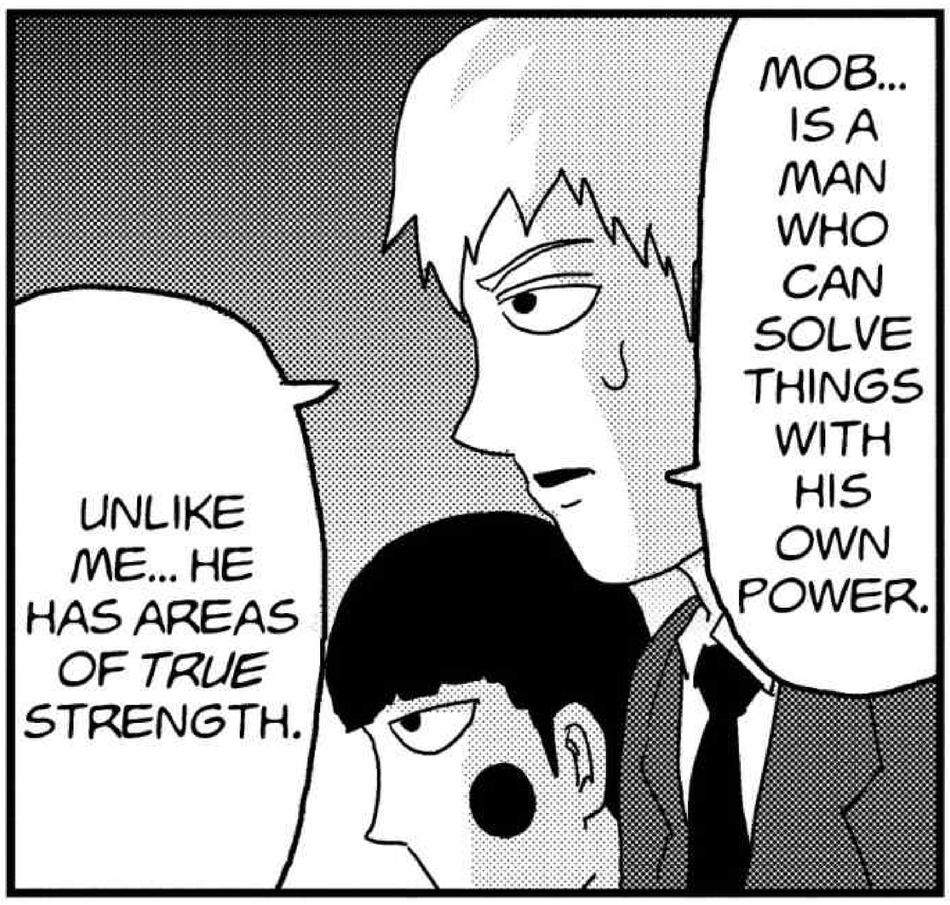

BUT IF SHIGEO DIES IN ASTRAL FORM...
INSIDE, MOGAMI IS IN A SERIOUS FACE-OFF WITH SHIGEO.

MEANING HE'LL DIE FOR REAL, TOO.
...HIS PSYCHE WILL BE OBLITER-ATED.

SO I KNOW HE'LL BE ALL RIGHT.


MOB... IS A MAN WHO CAN SOLVE THINGS WITH HIS OWN POWER.
UNLIKE ME... HE HAS AREAS OF TRUE STRENGTH.

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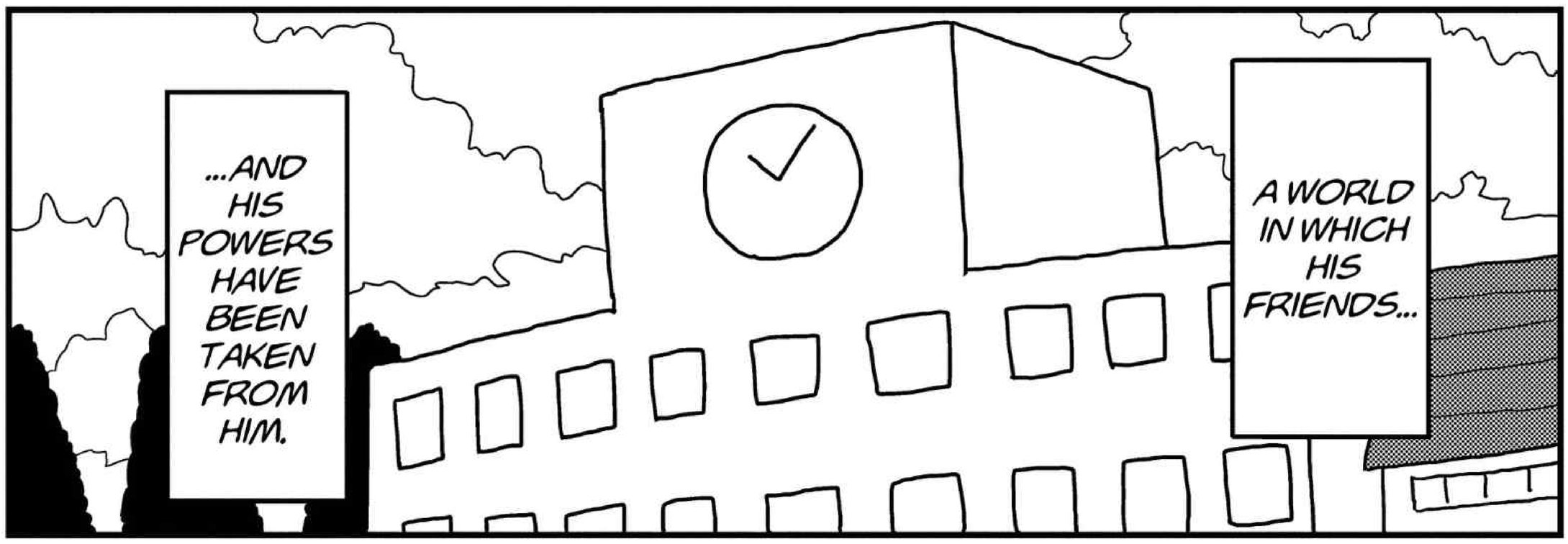

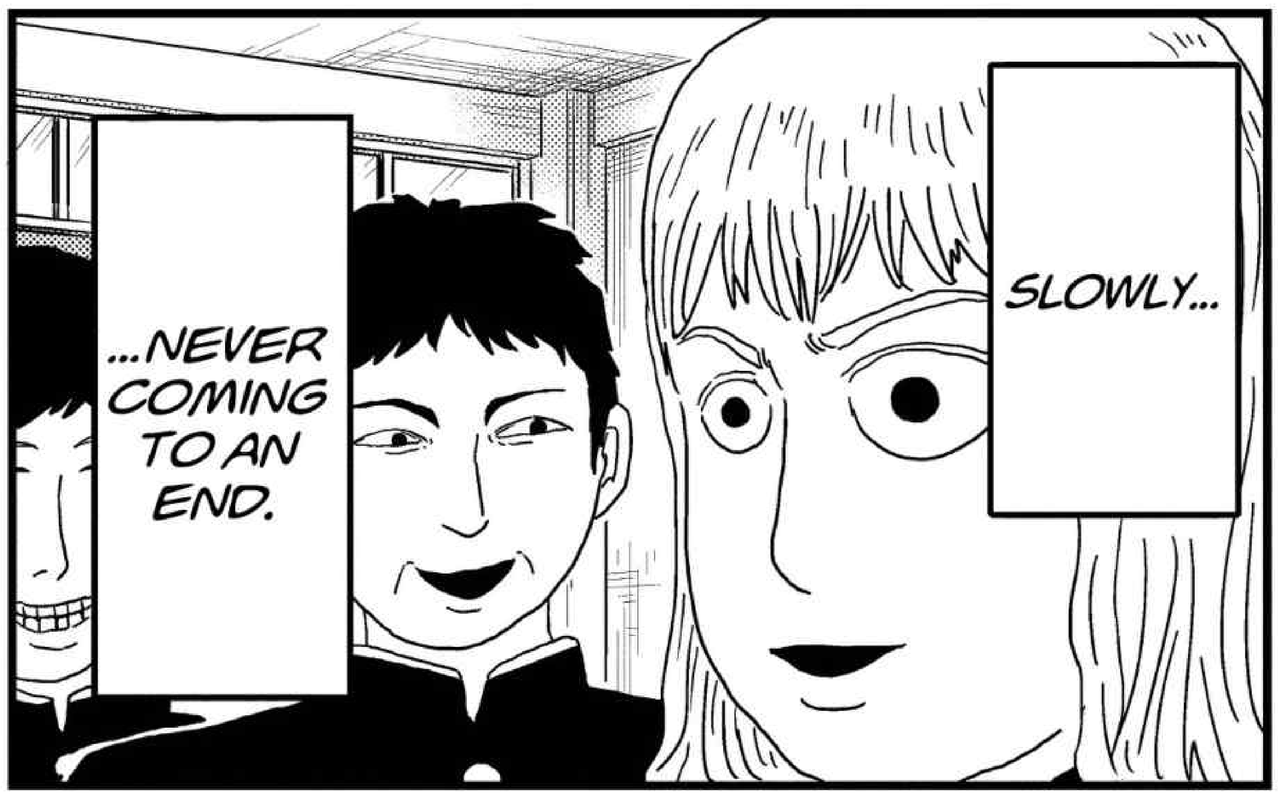

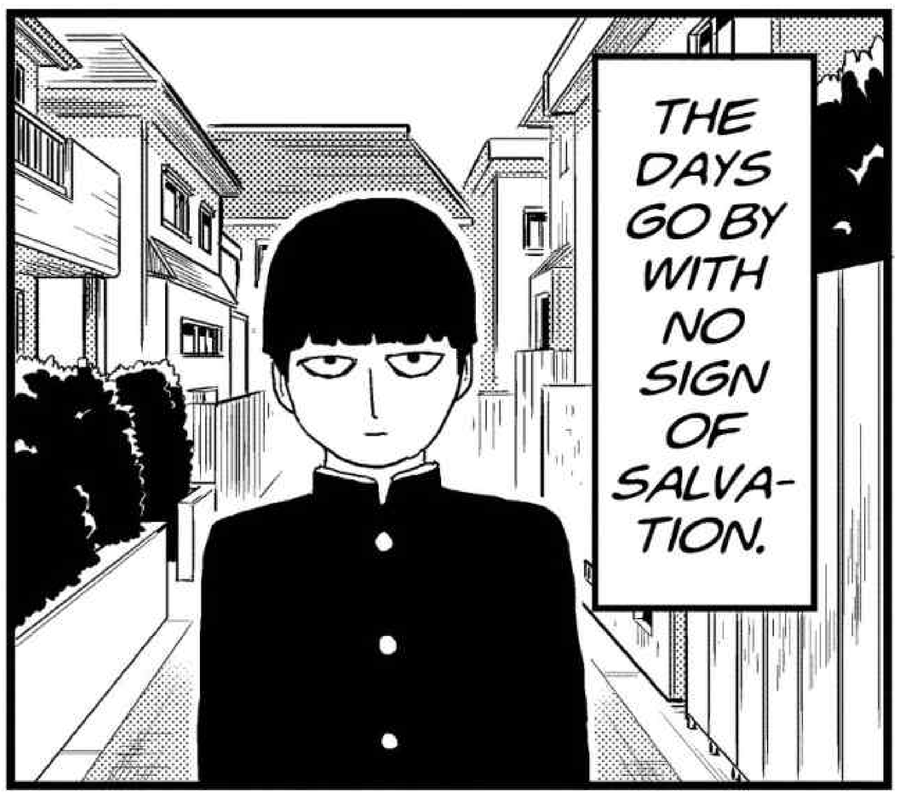

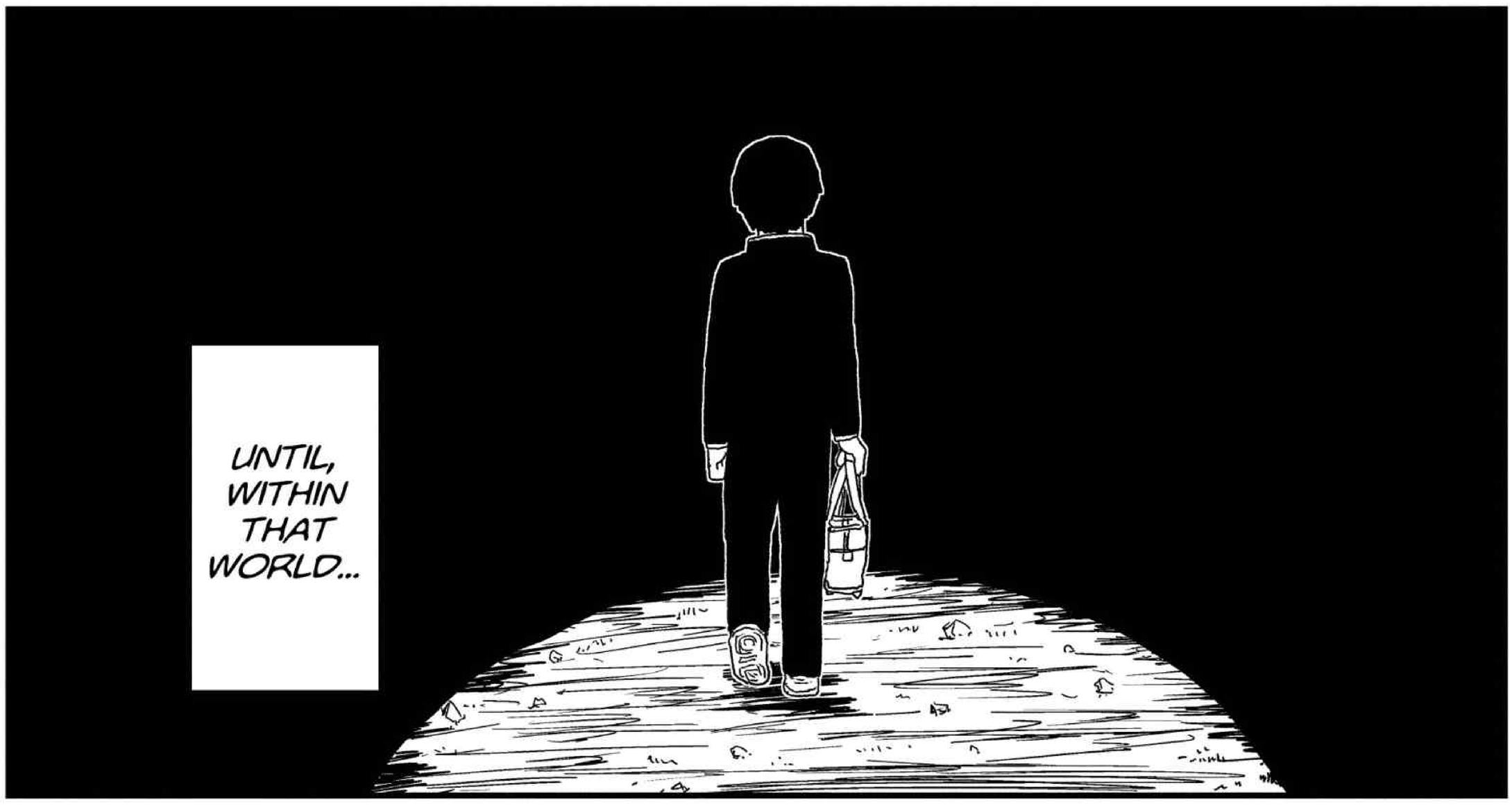

...half a year has elapsed.

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ANGER
SELF-REPROACH
SADNESS
FEAR
ANXIETY
HATRED
LOATH-ING
FRUS-TRATION

IS IT TIME FOR THE FINISHING TOUCH...?

...

...YOU'RE JUST A STEP AWAY FROM NOT BEING ABLE TO TAKE IT ANY-MORE.

THOSE ALL-ENCOM-PASSING NEGATIVE EMOTIONS HAVE REACHED THEIR PEAK...

YOU CAN BECOME LIKE ME...

YOU OF ALL PEOPLE CAN DO IT.

SHIGEO IS LOST ...!

...NO!

IT'S TOO LONG! NORMALLY HE'D ONLY NEED A MINUTE, AND IT'D BE OVER...

IT HASN'T EVEN BEEN 30 MINUTES YET.

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AND IF WE KEEP WAITING AROUND HERE, WE'LL REGRET IT!

FACE IT. SHIGEO ISN'T COMING BACK.

WE HAVE TO RUN FOR IT!

NEXT TIME HE OPENS HIS EYES... HE'LL KILL EVERY-ONE HERE.

IF YOU WANT TO RUN, DIMPLE, I'M NOT GONNA STOP YOU.

WELL, DO WHAT YOU LIKE.

I SEE ...

...SO THAT'S HOW IT IS.

plip plip plip

BEST BEFORE

OPEN

MILK

GO ON!

FEEDING STRAY CATS IS A BREACH OF PUBLIC ETI-QUETTE.

UH-UHHH...!

shake shake shake

step

...

lick lick lick

TODAY, I JUST HAP-PENED TO...

IT'S SO TRAGIC I CAN HARDLY BEAR TO SEE IT.

...

DO YOU HANG OUT WITH STRAY CATS BECAUSE YOU HAVE NO FRIENDS ...?

WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO WITH THAT CAT?

LIAR. I SAW YOU LAST MONTH TOO.

HM? YOU'RE YELL-ING AT ME?

THAT KINDA PISSES ME OFF, YOU KNOW.

DON'T ...! I'LL RAISE IT.

I'LL TAKE CARE OF IT!!!

SAY WHAT? THE POOR THING.

UM... NO-THING.

I'LL CALL THE ANIMAL SHEL-TER.

IT SHOULD GET PUT DOWN QUICKLY THEN. THAT WOULD BE BEST FOR IT, I THINK.

AND I'M TAKING IT TO THE SHELTER.

I'M TAKING THAT CAT.

THERE'S NO--

FOR FUN, WHY ELSE?

YOU WOULDN'T ...WHY WOULD YOU DO THAT ...?

WHAT'S UP, KAGE-YAMA?! WANNA GO FOR BAD?!

PUNK JUST PUNCHED ME!!

IT WAS WEAK !

COME ON! HAND IT OVER !!

BAH HAHA HAHA HAHA HA!!!

OW! WHAT THE HELL WAS THAT, ASSHOLE ?!

...I CAUGHT IT!!!

IT'S GOING THAT WAY!

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AAH! IT RAN OFF!

NO, WAIT ...

LOOK FOR-WARD TO IT, LOSER!

WE'LL DEAL WITH YOU AGAIN AT SCHOOL TOMOR-ROW!

DON'T GET COCKY AND THINK YOU CAN ACTUALLY FIGHT BACK, FREAK!

YOU MUSTN'T USE YOUR POWERS IN THE WRONG WAY.

I WAS BORN WITH THE ABILITY TO SEE SPIRITS, AND THE POWER TO EXORCISE THEM.

AT FIRST I SOLVED VARIOUS PROBLEMS THAT WERE BROUGHT TO ME TO HELP PEOPLE--HELP THE WORLD, EVEN--OUT OF A SENSE OF JUSTICE.

EVENTUALLY MY REPUTATION GREW. I STARTED MAKING TV APPEARANCES.

MY SHOWS DREW AN AUDIENCE.

AND I THOUGHT ...IF IT HELPED THE MANY PEOPLE WHO WATCHED THEM SOLVE *THEIR* PROBLEMS... THAT WAS A GOOD THING.

PLUS I NEEDED THE MONEY.

I WAS IN HIGH SCHOOL WHEN MY MOTHER FELL ILL.

THE DOCTORS COULDN'T FIGURE OUT WHAT IT WAS, AND OUR MEDICAL EXPENSES WEREN'T SMALL.

THEY WORKED MY FAMILY'S STRUGGLES INTO THE TV SHOW...

...AND THAT UPPED THE RATINGS MORE. I WAS FAMOUS.

SO I WAS ABLE TO GET MY MOM INTO A GOOD HOSPITAL... BUT SHE ONLY GOT WORSE AND WORSE.

IT FELT LIKE THE TV PEOPLE WERE TAKING ADVANTAGE OF ME. YET I NEEDED STILL MORE MONEY...

...SO I CONTACTED SOME CRIMINALS.

I HAD SUDDENLY REALIZED IT WOULD BE EASY FOR *ME* TO KILL THEIR RIVALS FOR THEM.

...MORE AND MORE CLI-ENTS HIRED ME.

WHETHER THE WORK WAS HONEST OR DIRTY, I BARELY SLEPT, EAGER TO MAKE CASH.

AND SO I STOPPED THINKING ABOUT WHAT I WAS DOING...

I USED MY EXORCIST SKILLS TO BECOME A HIT MAN... CURSING COMPLETE STRANGERS TO DIE. AT FIRST I FELT GUILTY... BUT I TOLD MYSELF IT WAS ALL FOR HER.

BUT I FIG-URED IT OUT...

...THEY NEVER FIGURED OUT WHY SHE GOT SICKER AND SICKER, AND ALL THEIR TREAT-MENTS WERE IN VAIN.

AND IT WAS ALL FOR *NOTH-ING...*

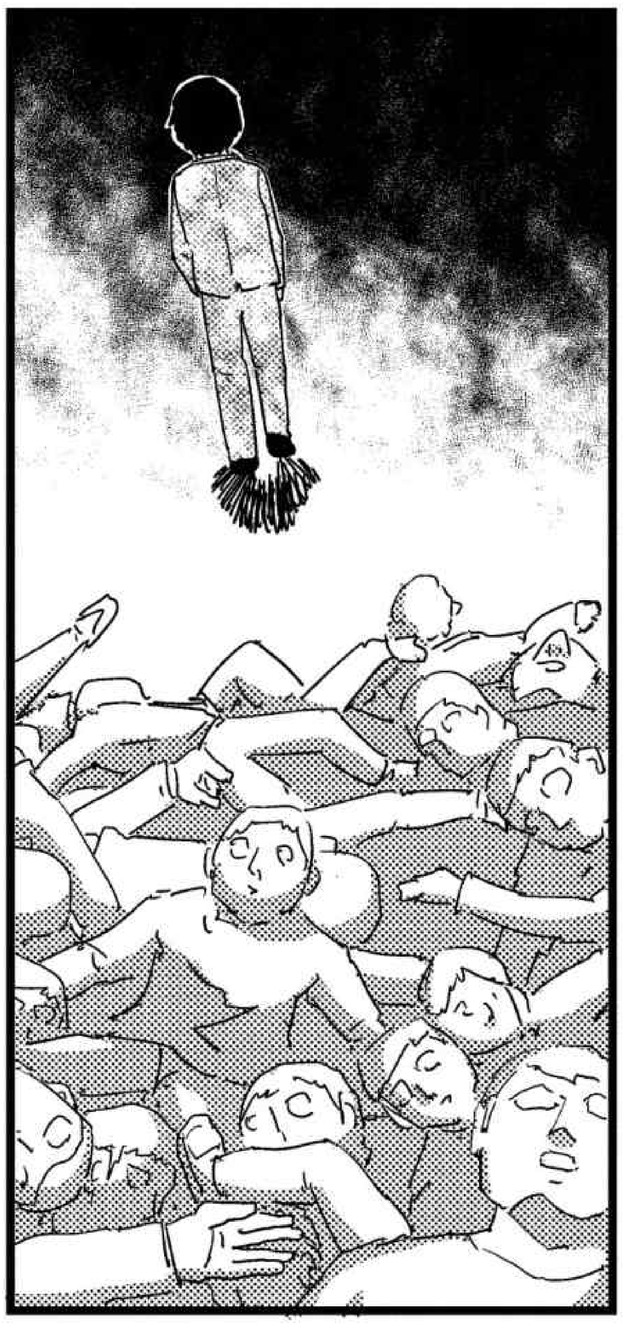
MY MOTHER HAD BECOME AN EVIL SPIRIT... AND SAID... OR RATHER, HOWLED ...

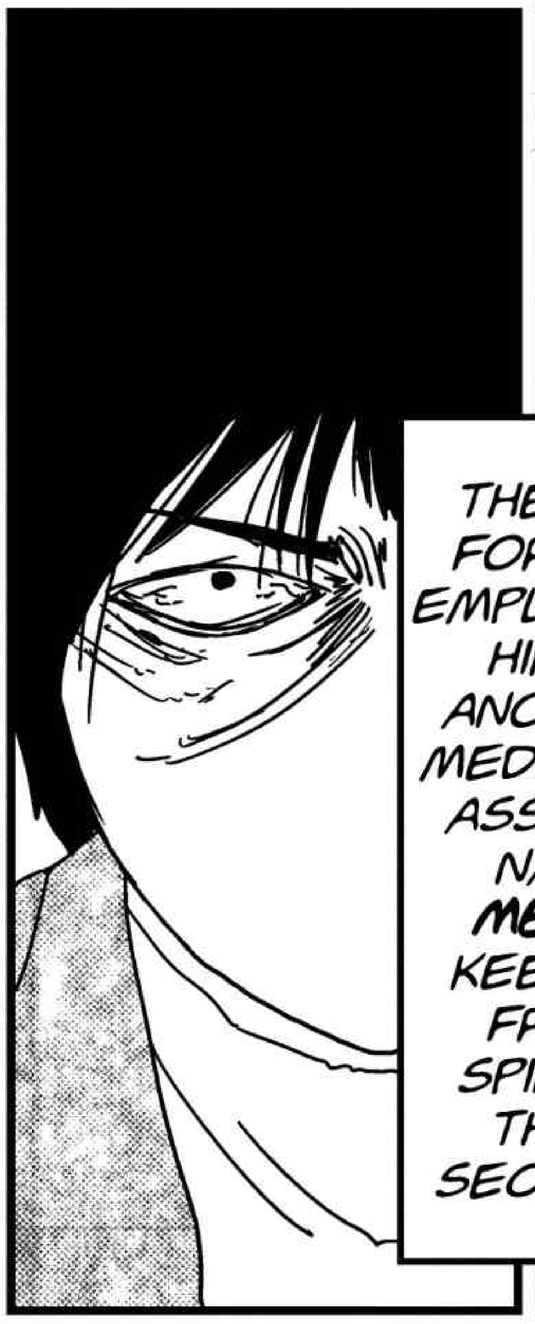
...AFTER SHE DIED.

...IT WAS BECAUSE OF YOU!

...AND ALL THE WOES OF IT... FELL UPON HER.

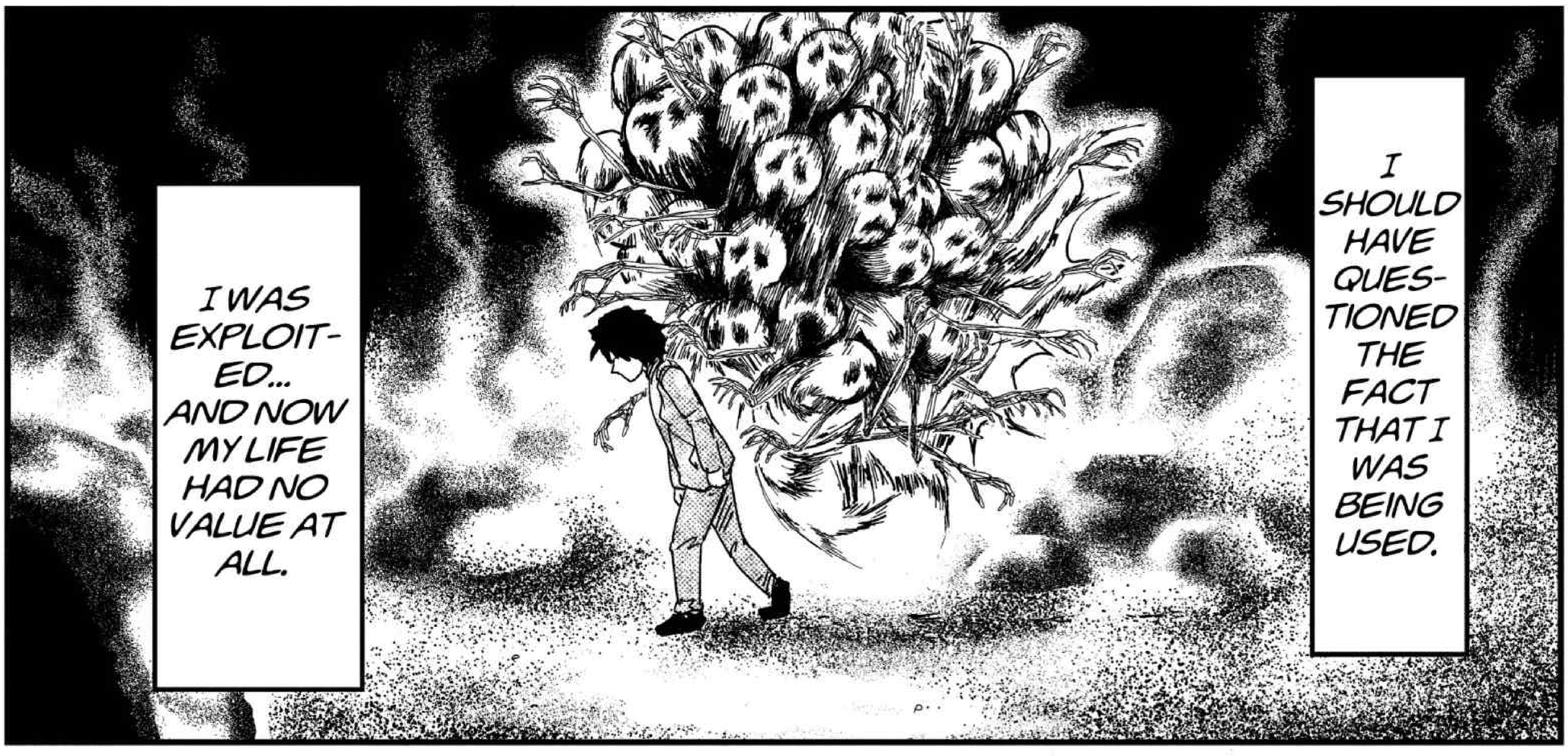
MY BUSI-NESS HAD GATH-ERED EVIL AROUND ME...





THEN MY FORMER EMPLOYERS HIRED ANOTHER MEDIUM TO ASSASSINATE **ME**...TO KEEP ME FROM SPILLING THEIR SECRETS.

SINCE I NO LONGER NEEDED THE MONEY, I CUT OFF THE SHADY WORK COMPLETELY.



I WAS EXPLOITED... AND NOW MY LIFE HAD NO VALUE AT ALL.

I SHOULD HAVE QUESTIONED THE FACT THAT I WAS BEING USED.

I POSSESSED THOSE WHO HAD INCURRED THE RESENTMENT OF OTHERS... AND PUNISHED THEM.

THIS WAS HOW I CHOSE TO USE MY POWER.

I'd reform the world.

I KNEW THERE WAS ANOTHER EXISTENCE AWAITING ME.

WITH NO PLACE IN HUMAN SOCIETY, NO BONDS, IT WAS TIME TO LEAVE.

I'LL GET YOU FOR THIS SCRATCH YOU GAVE ME.

AFTER SCHOOL, PUNK... YOU'RE NOT GETTING AWAY.

HEH HEH ...

YESTERDAY'S GAMES AIN'T OVER, MORON!

YOU GOT BALLS COMING TO SCHOOL TODAY, KAGEYAMA.

I THINK YOU UNDERSTAND THAT NOW...?

IT'S ALL RIGHT TO USE YOUR POWERS FOR YOUR OWN BENEFIT-- IN FACT, IT'S WHAT YOU OUGHT TO DO.

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THE POWER HE WAS USING AGAINST US BECAME SLIGHTLY WEAKENED, SO I WAS ABLE TO MANAGE IT.

YOU DID THAT ?!

THE DOOR BLEW OPEN ?!

BUT WE COULDN'T EVEN *BUDGE* IT!

...?!?

REIGEN ...

... AREN'T YOU GOING TO RUN AWAY?

WAIT, FIRST THING WE NEED TO DO IS CALL AN AMBU-LANCE !!

W-WE'RE SAVED ...!

HEY! QUIT SHOV-ING!

WELL, WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR? LET'S GET *OUT* OF HERE!

DO YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT?

NO. THIS IS MY JOB AFTER ALL.

...BE-CAUSE I HAVE FAITH IN HIM.

SO WHY WOULD YOU STAY?

THERE IS NOTH-ING WE *CAN* DO HERE.

LET ME WARN YOU... SHIGEO IS BEYOND HELP NOW.

I THINK I REALLY AM.

YES.

!

ARE YOU *REALLY* THAT STUPID ...?

FAITH? THE WAY THINGS ARE GOING ...?

MOB HAS FAITH IN THE BOTH OF US. BECAUSE HE'S FOOLISH THAT WAY.

...THIS IS PROBABLY THE FIRST TIME SOMEONE'S EVER PUT THEIR TRUST IN *YOU* EITHER, RIGHT?

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WELLLLLL...

...I GUESS SO.

RIGHT, DIMPLE?

AND WHAT ABOUT MY BUSINESS?

IF YOU LOOK AT IT THAT WAY ...THIS IS NO TIME TO RUN.

AND IF THAT'S THE CASE...

...THEN ONLY BY CONTINUING AS HIS SHADOW ADVISOR CAN I TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THOSE POWERS FOR MYSELF.

IT MAY BE THAT ONLY HIS MIND AND BODY TOGETHER CAN DEPLOY THEM.

THIS BODY MAKES IT EASY FOR *MY* POWERS TO FLOW... BUT IT SEEMS THAT EVEN I, THE GREAT LORD DIMPLE, CAN'T DRAW ON SHIGEO'S ***OWN*** POWERS.

WELL, THEN. IT SEEMS WE BOTH NEED HIM.

I'VE CHANGED MY MIND. I'LL STAY.

SO I'M GOING TO HAVE TO GO GET HIM.

BUT...

...IT'S STILL JUST AS I SAID... SHIGEO ISN'T COMING BACK.

Are you angry...?

Are you suffering...?

BWA HA HA HA HA! WHAT'S WITH THAT FACE...?!

Are you full of resentment ...?

HEY! SHE'S LAUGH-ING, YOU KNOW!

YOU BETTER LAUGH TOO, KAGE-YAMA !!!

Are you full of hate...?

And if you do save her...and it means more unfortunate victims because of her... isn't that irresponsible?

You were oblivious to that too. But now things are different.

They are a cancer on society.

You've been trying to save them:..without knowing anything about them.

Come to me, and I will give you back your power...

You have been reborn into someone who understands me.

...against the world...

And you can turn those negative emotions...

...and let them explode!

WHOOOM

That's the way! More!

Yes!

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BUT SHIGEO BROKE THROUGH THIS SHIELD ...!

RRRGGHH!

...I CAN'T GET IN...!!!

...I'M THE GREAT LORD DIMPLE, AND I HAVE TO DO THIS!

GODDAMN IT!!! THAT KID IS RISKING HIS OWN SOUL...

ALL OF A SUDDEN...A PULSE OF SPIRITUAL ENERGY IS FLOWING INTO ME...!!!

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...?!?

...YES! I'M BREAKING THROUGH !!!

COULD THIS BE...

DID HE GET A POWER-UP SOME-HOW...?

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NOW YOU OWE ME ONE ...!

AND YOU CAN PAY ME BACK...BY MAKING SURE YOU WIN.

...A PSYCHIC REALM AHEAD OF ME...?!

A LIGHT ...!!!

NO ONE WARNED ME ABOUT THIS...!

W- WHAT *ARE* YOU...?

I *DON'T KNOW.*

EVEN I DON'T KNOW.

I CAN GET YOU EXPELLED FROM *SCHOOL!* I CAN FIX IT SO THAT *NO SCHOOL* WILL ACCEPT YOU!!

K- KAGEYAMA, ALL I GOTTA DO IS ASK MY DAD'S BODY-GUARDS, AND THEY'LL BEAT THE SHIT OUT OF YOU!

krikk krikk krikk

krikk

...SO WHAT?

krikk krikk krikk krikk krikk krikk

YOU WERE THE ONE WHO GAVE ALL THE ORDERS, RIGHT?

SOME-ONE HELP!

dash

HELP!

APOL-OGIZE TO ME.

...

Yes, that's it... destroy her.

WOOM

...I'M SO SORRY ...! sobbb...

sob

...I'M S-SO...

nod nod nod

IF YOU EVER MESS WITH ME AGAIN ...

...

shinggg

Don't let her off that easy! You've come this far...

That guy must be soft down to the genetic level ...!

How about...this?

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krakk

DIE, YOU FREAK !!!

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JUST DIE, YOU SON OF A BITCH !

DIE!

drip

HA, HA.

dripp

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...WHAT'S HAPPEN-ING HERE? I DON'T UNDER-STAND IT AT ALL...

WHAT DID I ACTUALLY DO TO YOU PEOPLE ...?

NONE OF THIS MAT-TERS.

SHUT UP--

BUT I DON'T NEED TO UNDER-STAND.

You'll never go back to how you were before.

It's done.

You've finally changed.

...Your new life has begun.

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Swallowed up by your darker emotions... you have become a whole level stronger...

So be it. This will be your strength.

You will no longer be used or exploited.

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The negative persona that has carved out its place within the depths of your psyche while you have been here...

...will continue to control you from now on.

...and that's why I didn't want you to end up spending your life the way I did.

You were like I once was...

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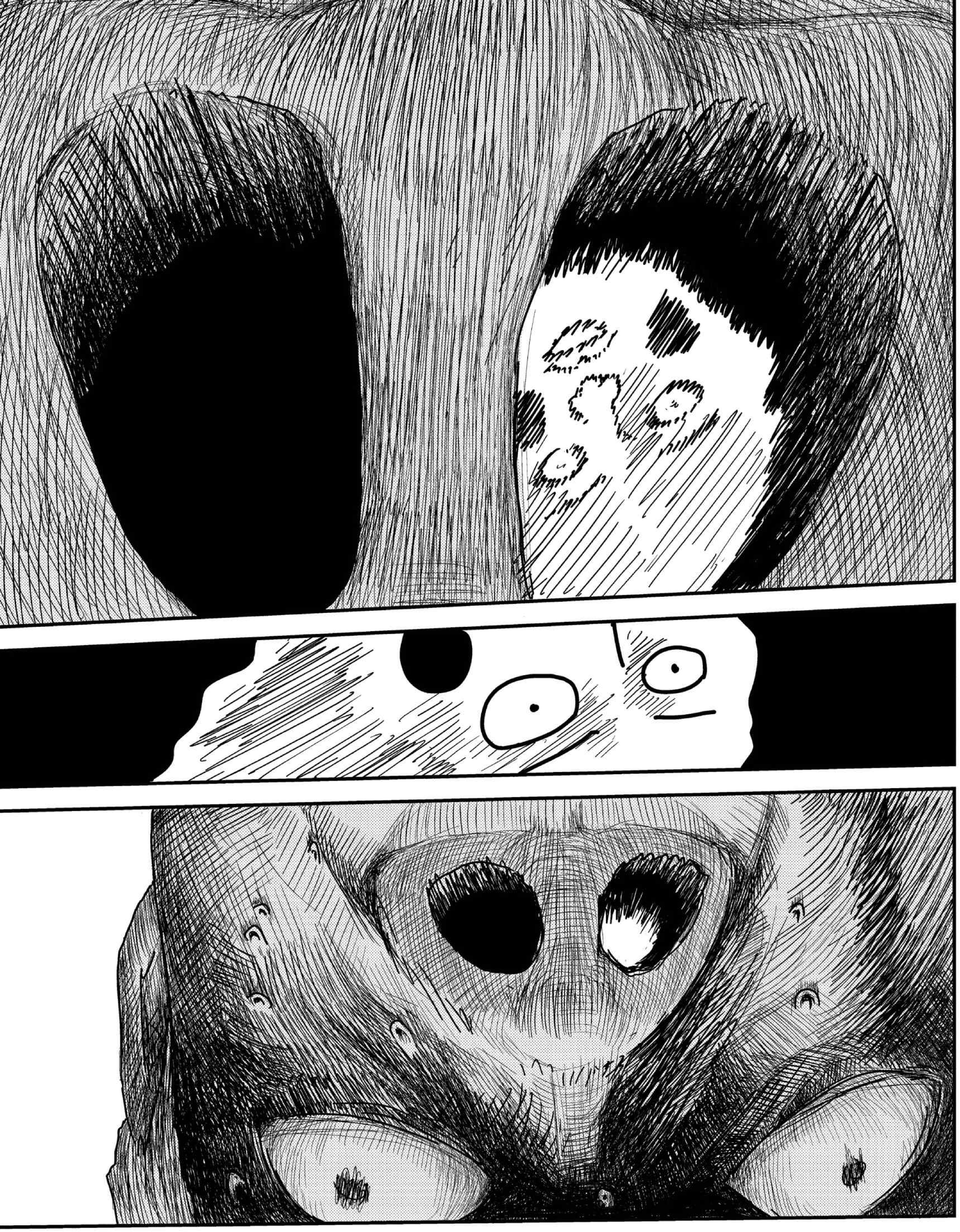

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HEY!

His snot...it spoke !!!

W-WHAT THE HELL IS THIS... CREA-TURE?

JEEZ, IT LOOKS LIKE HE'S REAL FAR GONE...

...HEY, DO YOU HAPPEN TO RECOG-NIZE ME?

What the ...?

...AH-HA...!

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WAIT A SEC...

!OOK キョロ

CAN'T *BELIEVE* YOU GOT SUCKED IN BY THIS SHAM...

WELL, IT IS WHAT IT IS. GOTTA USE SHOCK THERA-PY.

WITH ALL MY SPIRI-TUAL ENERGY, THERE'S ONLY ONE THING I CAN DO FOR YOU...

QUIT SPYIN' ON US!

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THAT OUGHTTA BUY US A FEW SECONDS TO TALK PRIVATELY.

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Damn it...!

rattle

rattle

rattle

rattle

REIGEN AND I HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU ON THE OUTSIDE !!!

LOOOM

TRY TO REMEMBER, SHIGEO !!

SPLIT EEEEE OOO

...

REIGEN ...?

...WHO'S THAT?

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NOW THAT'S JUST TOO SWOLE.

pump!

!!!

They're coming back... even in this world...!

His inherent powers that I thought I'd locked away...

THINK IF YOUR BELOVED TSUBOMI-CHAN WAS HERE...!

...JUST HOW LONG HAS HE BEEN IN THIS PLACE ...?

BUT SHIGEO'S NOT BACK TO HIS USUAL SELF YET...

YOU'RE NOT SCARED, ARE YOU, SHIGEO? THAT'S NOT VERY MANLY OF YOU...

HIS EYES ARE CLOUDY ...WHICH MEANS ...

sprout

ISN'T HE KIND OF OVER-DOING IT NOW ?

...

HUH ...?

flutter

I RE-MEM-BER NOW ...

...I RE-MEM-BER !!

I RE-MEM-BER...

SAY WHAT ?!

UM... KINDA, I'M NOT SO SURE...

...YOU REMEM-BER ME, YOUR OLD BUDDY, TOO?

JUST JOKING.

THANK YOU, DIMPLE...

WHAT ARE YOU DOING ?

WHAT THE...? HE'S ACTUALLY SO CALM NOW THAT HE'S CRACKING JOKES... HOW RARE...

...NO ...!

HE'S SHAKING BAD...

YOU KNOW THE TRUE NATURE OF THIS GIRL, AND YET YOU STILL WANT TO SAVE HER...?

JUST AS MY VOICE IS DEEP IN YOUR SUBCON-SCIOUS.

MOGA-MI...!!

ZZmmmm

ZZmmmm

ZZmmmm

BUT MENTALLY, YOU LIVED SIX MONTHS HERE IN THIS ALTERNATE WORLD. IT MUST BE CARVED DEEP INTO YOUR MIND NOW...

YOU GOT YOUR MEMORY BACK-- AND SO...?

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ZZmmmm

OTHER-WISE, HOW CAN WE REFORM THE WORLD ...?

ONLY THOSE WITH POWER SHOULD GET TO CHOOSE HOW TO USE IT.

YOU EXPERI-ENCED IT YOUR-SELF.

IF YOU SAVE HER, SOME-ONE ELSE WILL SUFFER.

THERE IS NO VALUE IN IT.

SO YOU CAN JUST IGNORE ANY OPINIONS FROM A GUY LIKE THAT!

RIGHT ?!

...ALL HE WANTS IS RE-VENGE !

DON'T LISTEN.

IT'S ALL NON-SENSE...

I ACTU-ALLY FEEL SORRY FOR HIM.

HE COULD NEVER LET GO OF HIS RESENT-MENT IN LIFE...AND NOW HE CAN'T EVEN LET GO OF IT IN DEATH!

WILL YOU IG-NORE MY WARN-INGS...

SHE'LL **USE YOU** FOR YOUR POWERS WHEN-EVER IT SUITS HER...

...AND THEN SOME-ONE **WILL** SUFFER BE-CAUSE OF IT.

YOU WANT TO SAVE HER... BECAUSE SHE ASKED YOU TO ?

...BOY ?

...AND END UP WALKING THE SAME PATH AS ME IN THE END...

SHI-GEO ...

...

...IT WAS S-SO REAL...

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shake フル…

I WAS AFRAID ...

THE WORLD IS SCARY AND HARSH... IN SOME WAYS IT'S **WRONG.**

...AND JUST HAP-PENED TO HAVE BEEN ALLOWED TO HAVE A LIFE.

HOW I WAS PRIVI-LEGED...

...MAYBE I HAVE LIVED NOT KNOWING HOW LUCKY I WAS.

MAYBE ...IT IS JUST LIKE YOU SAID...

...AND IT'S CHANGED MY THINKING.

I REAL-IZED SOME-THING...

I SAW IN THIS WORLD HOW IT COULD HAVE BEEN FOR ME...

MISER-ABLE DAYS WITH MISER-ABLE PEOPLE ...

...I WAS KICKED DOWN FOR IT.

I WAS ALWAYS WEAK... BUT IN THIS WORLD ...

...THIS POSSI-BLE WORLD ?

AHH... AND WHAT IS THIS NEW THINKING, BORN AFTER PASSING THROUGH ...

?!

DON'T TELL ME...

SO THAT'S HOW IT IS, HUH ...?

...I SHOULD BE MORE GRATEFUL TO THOSE AROUND ME.

THAT I'M A HAPPY PER-SON.

THAT WHEN I GET BACK TO MY WORLD...

...AND IT SEEMED LIKE SOMEONE FINALLY UNDER-STOOD ME.

MY, MY...WHAT A LET-DOWN.

RUN AWAY? YOU THINK YOU'LL RUN AWAY ...?

SHIGEO, RUN AWAY!

YOU HAVE NO USE FOR THIS PLACE ANY-MORE!!

...PEOPLE CAN CHANGE... THROUGH THEIR RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHERS.

AND ONE OTHER THING...

I'VE BECOME JUST A BIT STRONGER PERSON THAN I WOULD HAVE BEEN ON MY OWN.

I HAVE CHANGED, THANKS TO OTHER PEOPLE.

WHICH ALSO MEANS THAT THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS A PERSON WHO IS WORTH-LESS.

NO MATTER WHAT THEY'RE LIKE... PEOPLE CAN CHANGE.

IF I CAN CHANGE, THEN ANYONE CAN.

...I'LL SEE YOU IN HELL.

THAT'S ENOUGH OUT OF YOU...

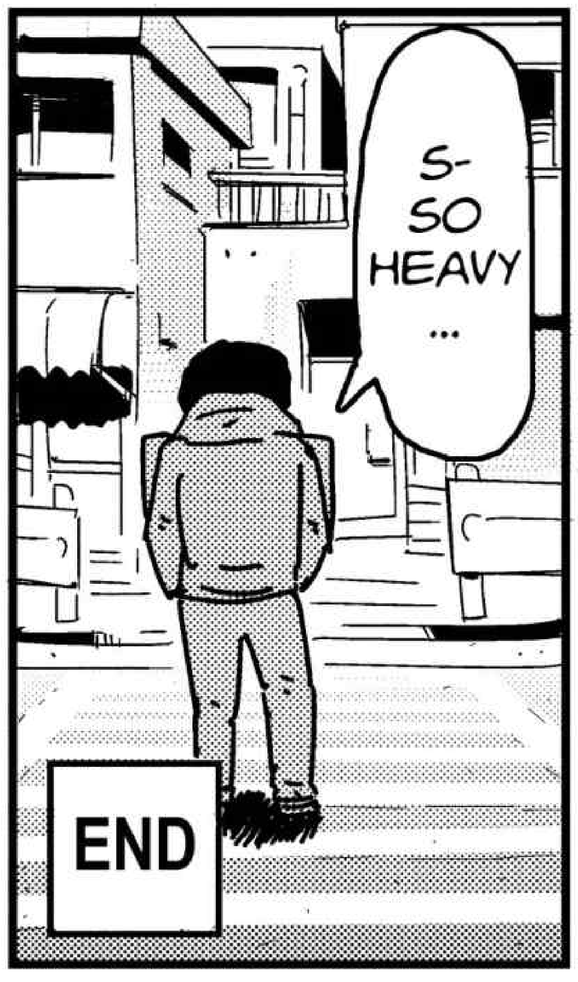
...I'M NOT THAT PERSON.

AND EVEN IF THE "ME" YOU'VE CONSTRUCTED IN YOUR MIND IS DEFEATED BY YOU...

SO I'M NOT RUN-NING AWAY...

BECAUSE I HAVEN'T SAVED MISS ASAGIRI YET...EVEN IF SHE IS THE WORST.

INTERLUDE: AT A PEDESTRIAN CROSSING (3)



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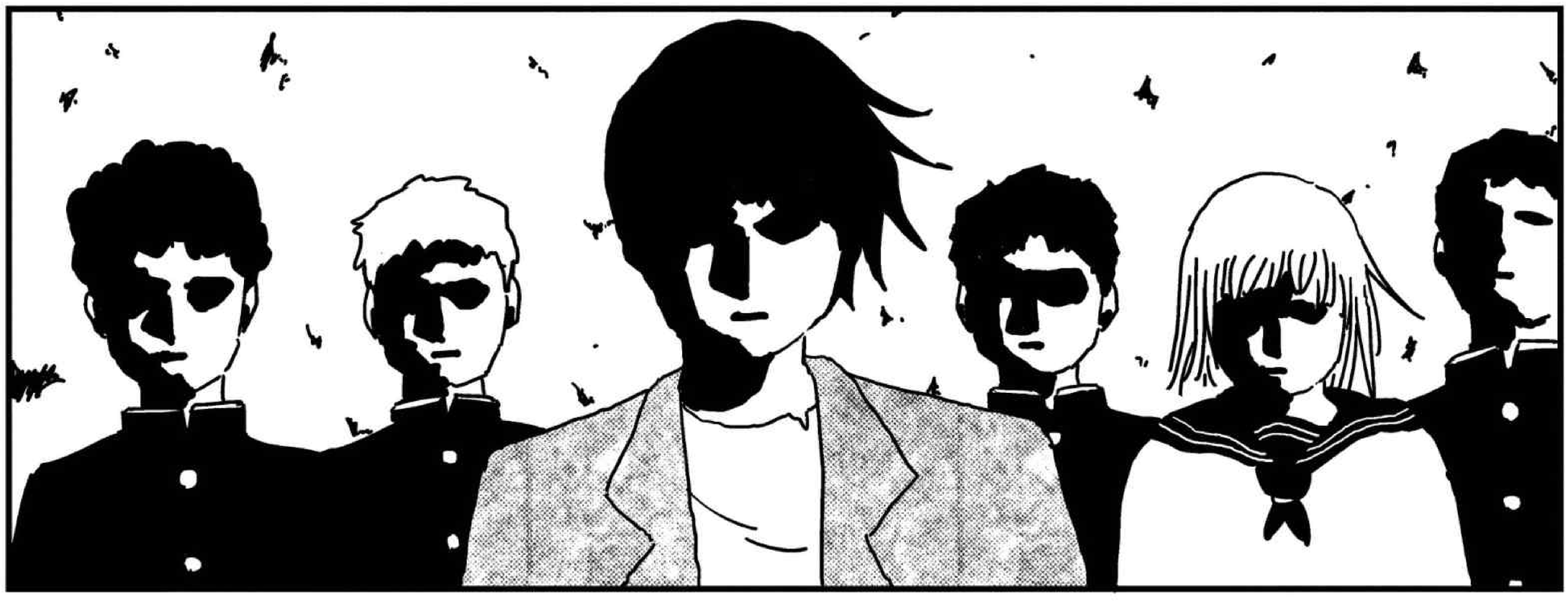

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THEY WERE PERFOR-MANCES... DONE BY THE SAME VENGEFUL SPIRITS THAT MOGAMI HAS CON-SUMED!

THOSE BULLIES ... ... WEREN'T JUST MERE ILLU-SIONS...

WE'LL JUST HAVE TO TAKE THEM ON...

...SHI-GEO, CAN YOU DO THIS ?!

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THOOOOM

OH...

...GUESS I DIDN'T HAVE TO WORRY, HUH?

crumble

crumble

crumble

crumble

LOOK OUT !!

THERE ARE MORE OF THEM ...!!

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skreee

ghhg

ghhg

ghhg

ghhg

THEY JUST KEEP ON COMING ...!

WAIT-- COULD IT BE...

...THAT EVERY-ONE IN THIS WORLD IS A VENGE-FUL SPIRIT ...?

WALKAMGAMGAMGAM

ZZZMMM

ZZZMMM

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ZZZMMM

...EVEN IF YOU BEAT THEM, THEY KEEP REFORM-ING...

WHIRRRR

doom doom doom

SHI-GEO!

ARE YOU OKAY ...?!

KU

WHUMP

...I CAN HANDLE THIS.

I'M IN ASTRAL FORM RIGHT NOW...

...YOU WEREN'T ACTUALLY WEAKENED ...?

SO... YOU...

THAT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE AFRAID, KID.

IT'S MORE LIKE...I CAN'T GET TO FULL POWER THOUGH.

...BUT YOU'RE AFRAID OF WHAT COMES AFTER THAT.

...."I CAN'T RUN AWAY," "I CAN SAVE HER"...

YOU CAN SAY THINGS LIKE...

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LOOK OUT !!!

NO! NO, I'M NOT ...!

BECAUSE I KNOW THERE'S NOTHING FOR ME TO BE AFRAI--

IG-NORE THAT CREEP !

HEY! SHIGEO...! WE WANT TO SAVE THE CLIENT AND GET OUT OF HERE, RIGHT ?!!

YOU'RE NOT SCARED, ARE YOU ...?!

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IF I DON'T EXTIN-GUISH THESE SPIRITS... I CAN'T GO BACK TO THE REAL WORLD!

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DIMPLE!!

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KRAKK
...GO BACK? AND THEN WHAT?
COULD YOU BEAR THAT?
...DAY AFTER DAY.
IT WOULD JUST MEAN MORE OF THE SAME...
IN OTHER WORDS...
...YOU ARE AFRAID OF LIVING.
...afraid of my normal life...?
Am I really afraid...

howll

The cries and wails of so many...

howll

Were these their last feelings as they died... or was this how they felt as they lived...?

howll howll howll howll

I can hear voices...

...the voices of the dead.

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Can I really go back...

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It's almost impossible to live in!

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...to such a cruel world?

Isn't the real world just as scary as this...?

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howll

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THEY COME OUT WHEN I DON'T WANT THEM TO... BUT WHEN I NEED THEM...

WHY CAN'T I USE ALL MY POWERS ?!

STOP!

STOP IT!! STAY OUT OF ME!!

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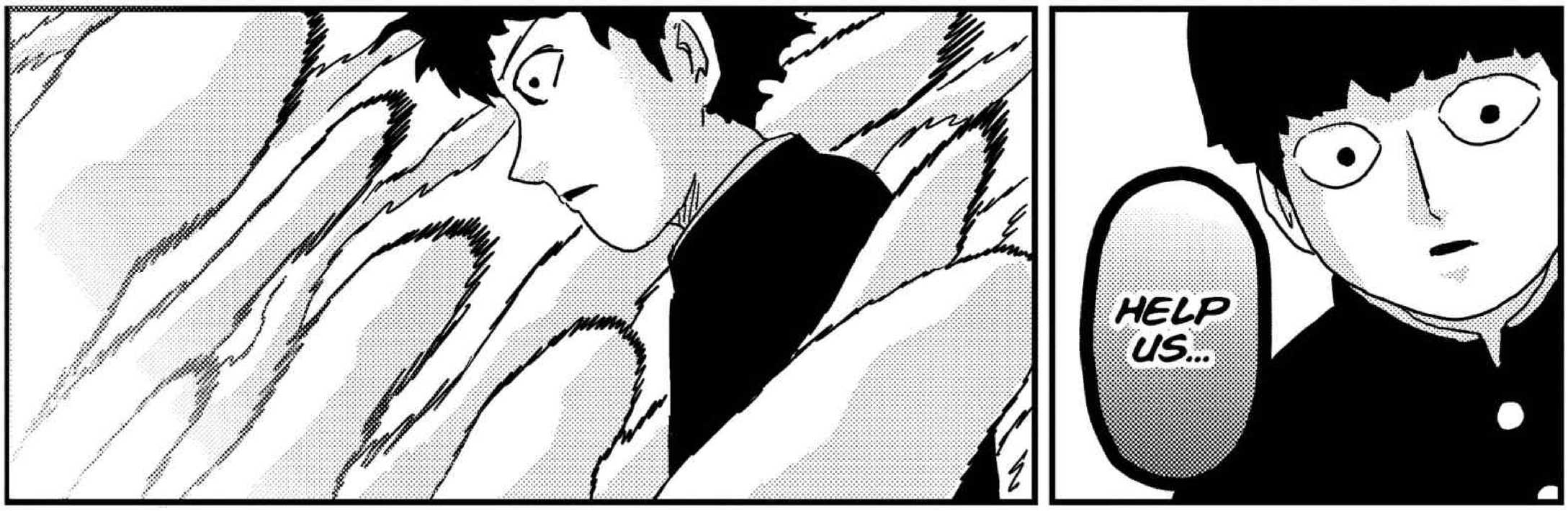
HELP...

SUCH POWER...

These voices...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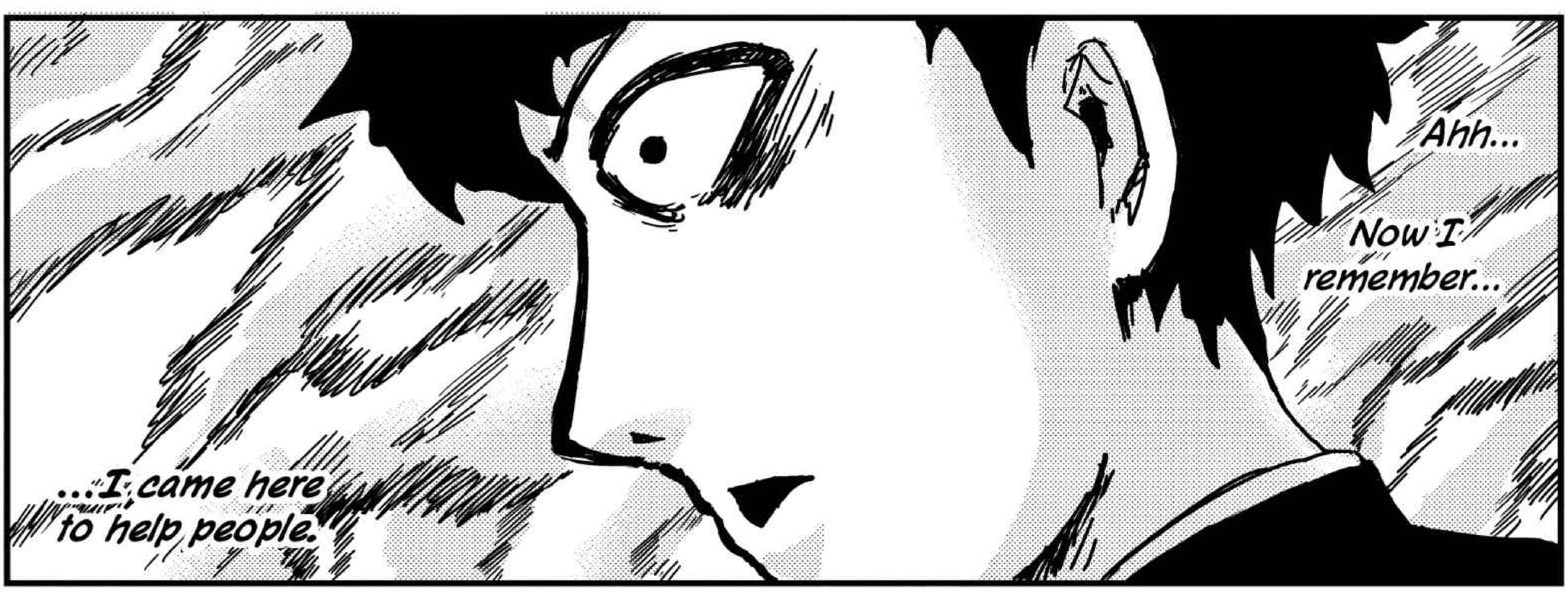
Ahh...
Now I remember...
...I came here to help people.

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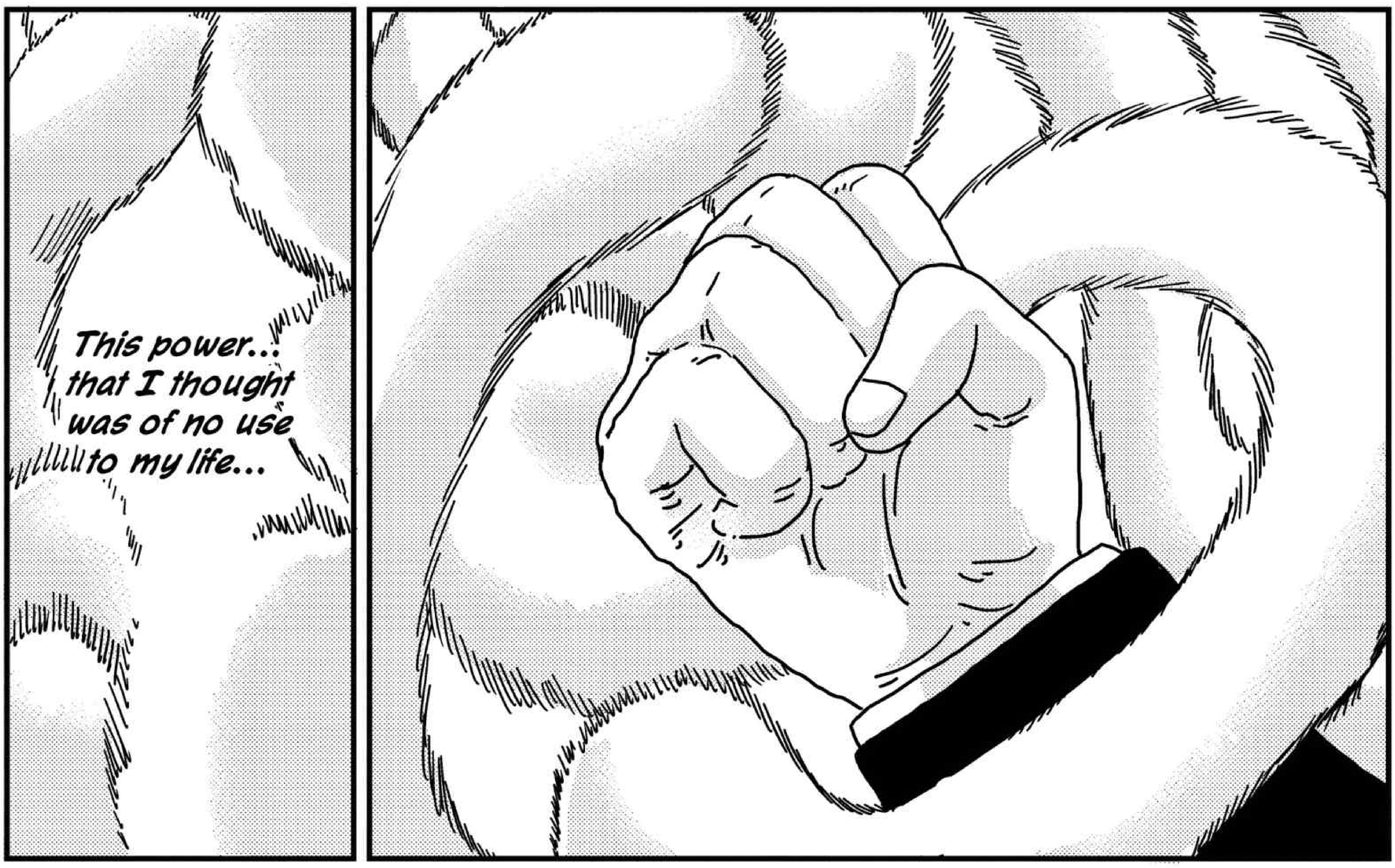
This power... that I thought was of no use to my life...

...can give a better life to others.

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...?!

...YOU'VE FAILED, MOGAMI.

KEH HEH HEH...

IS HE GOING THROUGH... SOME SORT OF TRANSFOR-MATION AGAIN...?

HMPH ...

HE CAN TRY WHAT HE LIKES. HE CAN'T BEAT ME NOW...

WHAT YOU SEE...

...IS HIM ABOUT TO COME FOR YOU.

EVERY TIME YOU LAID YOUR HAND ON SHIGEO... WAS LIKE STICKING IT INTO A HORNET'S NEST.

...OR MY VENGE-FUL SPIRITS ...!

ME...

roarrr roarrr
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roarrr

Thaboom
Thoo
Thoo
WHOOSH
WHAT ...?!

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RRMB

RRMB

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!!

WELL...

...DONE!

HE SURE DOESN'T PULL ANY PUNCHES WHEN HE'S PISSED ...

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krakkle

SHI-GEO ...!!

RRMB

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RRMB

RRMB

IT CAN'T BE?! HE'S STILL--

THIS IS THE TRUE FORM OF SHIGEO KAGEYAMA, WHAT YOU SEE WHEN HE SNAPS ...!

HMPH. SO YOU FINALLY UNDER-STAND HOW SCARY HE IS?!

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YOU AREN'T THE BOY YOU WERE BEFORE...

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ZZmmmm

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DIMPLE.

?

...WHO ARE YOU?

...IT'S NOT SAFE FOR YOU HERE.

GET BACK AND LET ME HANDLE THIS.

MOGAMI HAD OVER-LOOKED SOME-THING.

THE HEART THAT LAY SLEEP-ING WITHIN MOB.

Yes...who are you...?

...DES-PAIR AND HOPE.

THERE IS BORE-DOM AND EXCITE-MENT...

MUCH AS HAPPI-NESS EXISTS BE-CAUSE THERE IS SAD-NESS...

A PERSON'S HEART IS A TWO-SIDED COIN.

AND COUPLED...

...WITH GRIP-PING FEAR-- IS ITS COUNTER-PART...

...COURAGE.

HE DID IT...!

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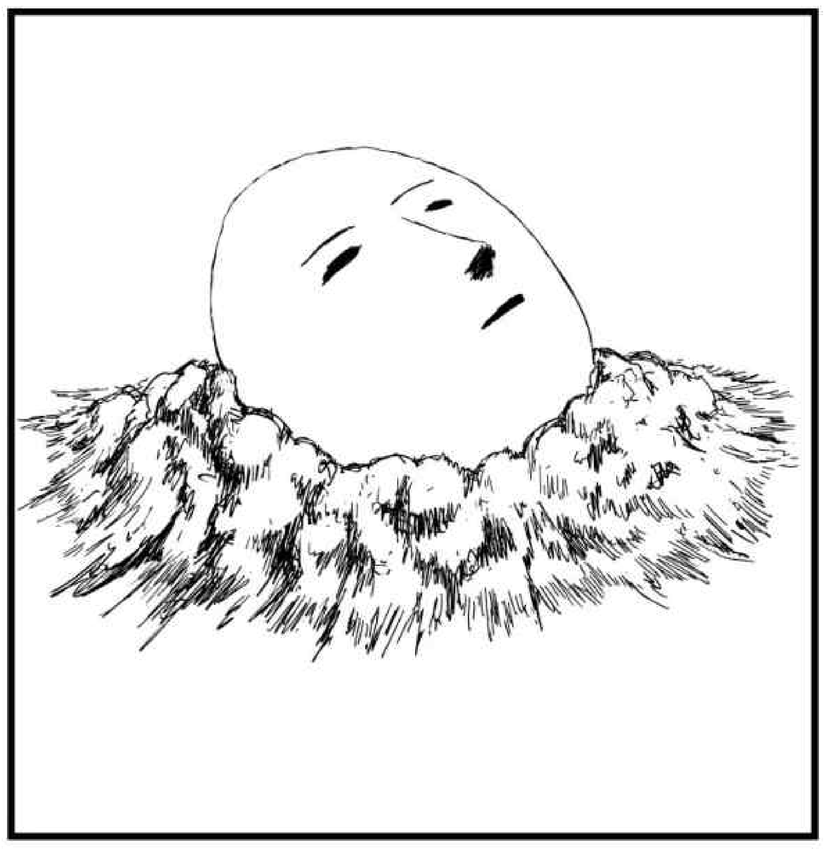

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SOMETHING'S WRONG HERE . . .

You sense it, somehow. You suspect this story doesn't really go the way it should. You're suspicious! But a smooth talker like Reigen would know what to say at this point. *"Just flip the book around and start reading it the other way instead."* Aha! So this was really the last page of the book. You're saved! Thank you, Reigen-sensei! *"Now, about my fee . . . "*

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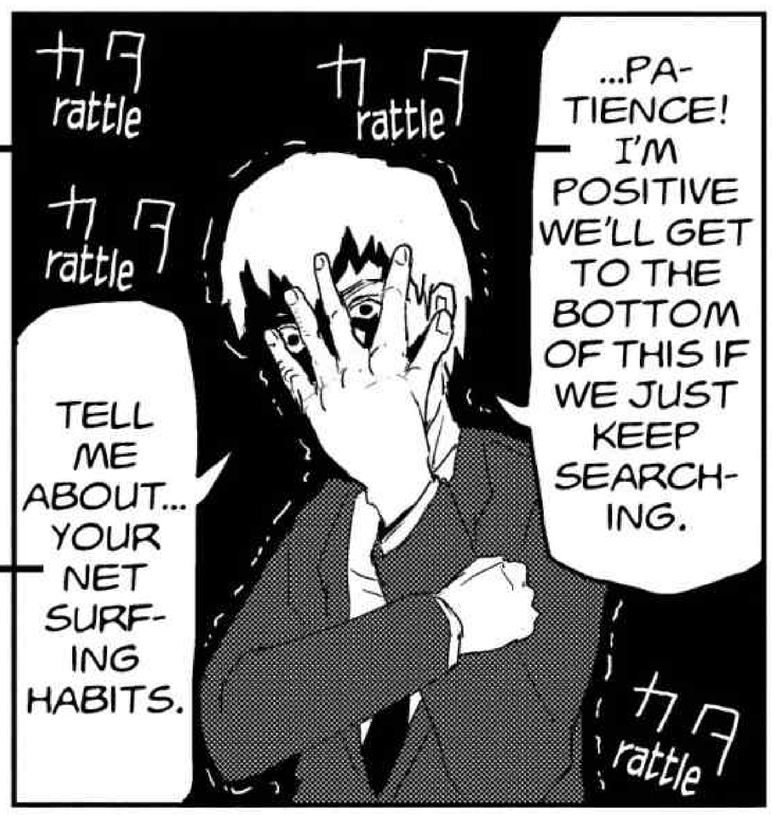

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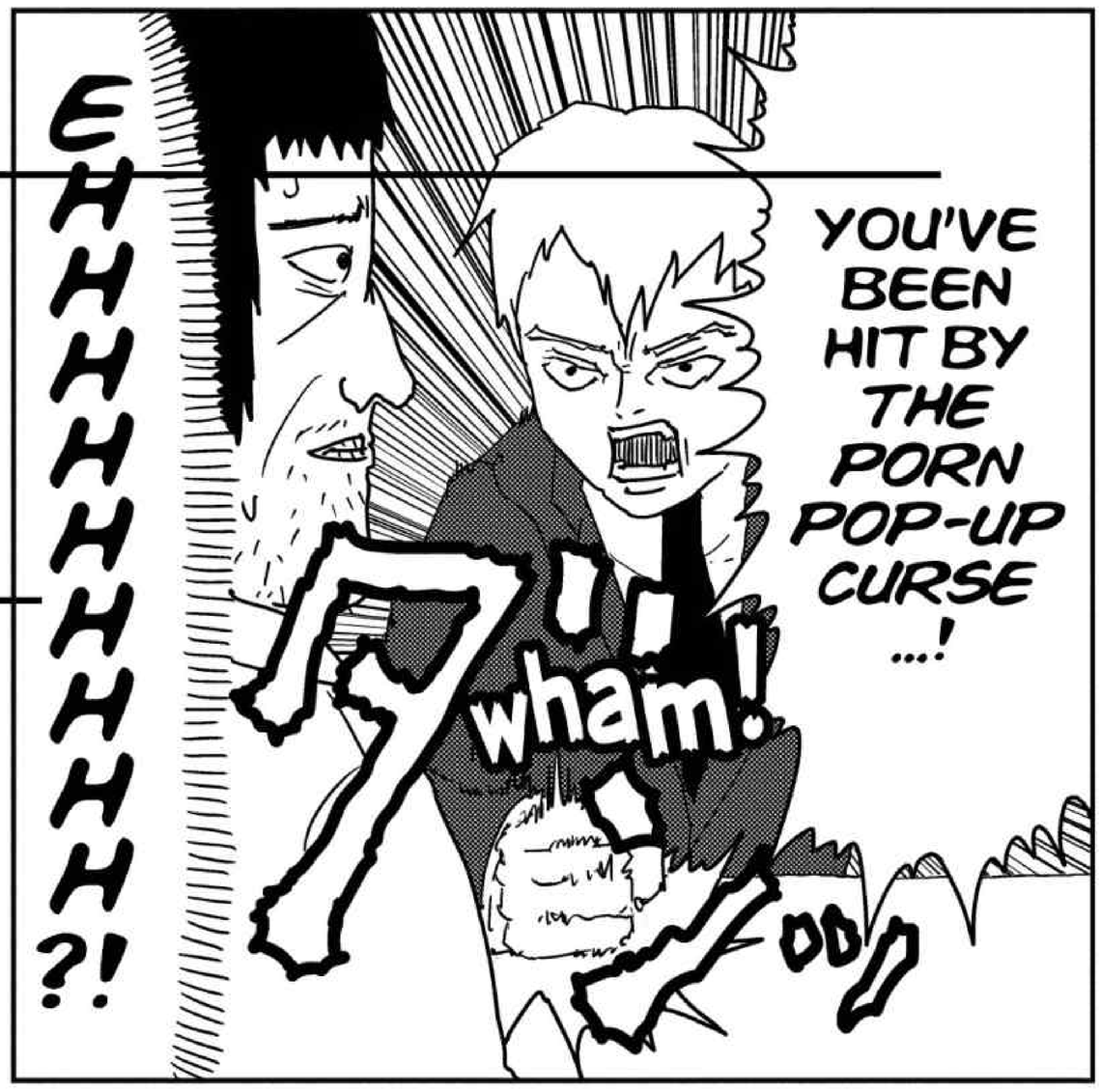

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